

Morningside Monthly Meeting  
With a Concern for Business 2/3/2013

present: Nancy Britton, Sally Campbell, Tom Goodridge, Dave Evans, Dot Savage, Patricia Chernoff, Helen Garay Toppins, Pamela Wood, Stephanie ?, Charlene Ray, Deborah Dahl, Charlotte Ehrman, Robert Renwick, Dave Britton, Lee Rada (clerk).

Meeting begins at 1:00 PM with silent Worship. The clerk reads "Church Government" from the London Yearly Meeting Faith and Practice 1968 edition:

725 The clerk occupies a position in relation to meeting for church affairs very much akin to that of an elder in meetings for worship, and it is a spiritual capacity for discernment and sensitivity to the meeting which is most needed. In conducting the meeting and drafting minutes on its behalf the clerk's abilities are strengthened by an awareness of the loyal upholding of the members of the meeting. Friends who have not known the unforeseen joy which comes from this experience may gain encouragement from this knowledge should they be invited to serve in this way. If the clerk's service is under concern in the certainty of God's presence and help in the meeting, then strength beyond his normal powers will be given.

724 (last paragraph) Give your whole attention to the matter before the meeting. If you want to speak, try to sum up what you have to say in as few words as possible. Speak simply and audibly, but do not speak for effect. A pause after each contribution will enable what has been said to find its right place in the mind of the meeting. Do not repeat views which you have already expressed. Do not address another Friend across the room but speak to the meeting as a whole. Be ready to submit to the direction of the clerk. Except in very small meetings, speak standing.

The agenda is reviewed and approved.

20130203.1 Charlene Ray presents the Treasurer's report. In January we received \$1364 and spent \$100. Peace and Social Concerns contributions were disbursed in the amount of \$450, completing the P&SC 2012 budget. The 2013 budget proposal presented last month is presented for review. Friends accept the report, which is attached.

20130203.2 Friends review the proposed 2013 budget. Friends ask questions for clarifications. The literature and childcare increases are discussed. Friends approve the \$34,000 2013 budget as proposed, including the \$34,000 budgeted for contributions received, and the proposed increases in expense lines. Friends approve setting our cash reserves to be \$30,000 using some of the 2012 surplus.

20130203.3 Joyce Richardson reports for Hospitality. Some of the hospitality funds have been used for replacing supplies, as well as occasionally reimbursing Friends for out-of-pocket expenses. Presently most weeks hospitality is provided by potluck contributions rather than advance sign-up of specific volunteers. Friends note the difficulties of balancing potluck vs. having specific volunteers, and note concerns associated with only having breads, cookies and cakes vs. a more balanced and nutritious arrangement. Joyce notes that getting volunteers signed up has not been working, so Friends approve suggesting that potluck bringers could bring healthier contributions.

20130203.4 Peace and Social concerns does not bring a written report. Pamela Wood notes that \$450 was spent on Earthcare concerns. P&SC did forward recommendation that a contribution to the

American Near East Refugee Aid (ANERA) program be added to the contribution list.

20130203.5 Pamela Wood presents the Ministry and Counsel report. The next meeting is scheduled for 2/28 at 7:15 PM at Pam's home. The next welcoming breakfast is scheduled for 2/24 at 9:30 AM in the Riverside cafe. Two additional spiritual nurture groups are now ongoing. Nancy Britton and Pamela Wood are co-clerks of M&C. M&C brings forward a recommendation to transfer the membership of Jessica Brockington to Chappaqua Meeting. Rick Pantaleone requests release from membership. M&C plans to present workshops: 2/24 on what do people do in Meeting, and 3/24 on concerns and leadings: how do we respond to them? M&C will post signs to remind people to keep cell phones turned off during Meeting for Worship. M&C is updating the address list and has 9 support committees ongoing. Friends accept the report, which is attached.

20130203.6 Friends approve release of Rick Pantaleone from membership at his request.

20130203.7 Friends approve the transfer of membership of Jessica Brockington from Morningside to Chappaqua Meeting.

20130203.8 Friends approve Morningside Meeting being listed in the Gay Yellow Pages.

20130203.9 Mia Hewitt Kissel on behalf of the advancement committee of New York Yearly Meeting's Ministry Coordinating committee has sent a letter to all Meetings and Worship Groups in NYYM, dated 2/1/2013, looking to create a direction for Friends called to travel in the ministry. The clerk reads the letter, which is referred to Ministry and Counsel.

20130203.10 Sally Campbell reports for the First Day and Child Care committee held 1/5/2013. Parents should be permitted to attend childcare but are given first priority to attend Meeting for Worship. A current history of attendance and activities is being maintained. Currently most weeks use unstructured playtime. Tom Goodridge and Jack Patterson are preparing a paper on childcare as a worshipful service, "First Day Experiments in Intergenerational Play." A book with all childcare-related contact information is maintained and stored in the bench.

The clerk presents Friends with an anecdote about integrity, telling "white lies" and trust, and offers a query, "Are you honest and truthful in word and deed?"

The Meeting ends with silent Worship at 2:00 PM.

In Friendship,  
Dave Britton, recording clerk

**Morningside Monthly Meeting**

**Treasurer's Report: 2013**

	2012 Budget	2012 Actual	Proposed Budget 2013.00	Jan Actual	YTD % Spent Actual r Raised		Proposed 2013	Comments
<b>Disbursements</b>								
Fixed NY Yearly Meeting	13,100.00	13,100.00	13,611.00		0.00	0.0%	13,611.00	NYYM asked for \$272 more
Outreach P&SC/FUN	10,000.00	10,000.00	11,000.00		0.00	0.0%	11,000.00	PS&C proposed
& Suppot Misc. Contrib.	300.00	0.00	300.00		0.00	0.0%	300.00	
Contribution In Lieu Of Re	6,000.00	0.00			0.00			
Scholarship/Relief	2,000.00	635.00	2,000.00		0.00	0.0%	2,000.00	
Outreach	18,300.00	10,635.00	13,300.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	13,300.00	
Operating Communications	1,450.00	31.50	1,100.00		0.00	0.0%	1,100.00	
Expenses: 1st Day/Childcare	400.00	0.00	800.00		0.00	0.0%	800.00	750 in 2010
Hospitality	500.00	242.85	500.00	34.01	34.01	6.8%	500.00	
Breakfast	750.00	404.75	750.00	31.00	31.00	4.1%	750.00	
Clerk/ M & C	150.00	83.00	150.00		0.00	0.0%	150.00	
Finance	250.00	215.60	300.00	35.15	35.15	11.7%	300.00	Increase in postage
Literature	200.00	213.32	300.00		0.00	0.0%	300.00	Request from Sally
Operating	3,700.00	1,191.02	3,900.00	100.16	100.16	2.6%	3,900.00	
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>35,100.00</b>	<b>24,926.02</b>	<b>30,811.00</b>	<b>100.16</b>	<b>100.16</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>30,811.00</b>	
<b>Income</b>								
Contributions		33,927.57		1,361.15	1,361.15			
Books		10.00		0.00	0.00			
Interest		19.91		3.04	3.04			
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>35,100.00</b>	<b>33,957.48</b>	<b>34,000.00</b>	<b>1,364.19</b>	<b>1,364.19</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>34,000.00</b>	Level actual
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>9,031.46</b>	<b>3,189.00</b>	<b>1,264.03</b>	<b>1,264.03</b>		<b>3,189.00</b>	
<b>Assets</b>								
Ending Bank Balance			36,274.32	36,598.35				
Cash Pam			161.00	161.00				
Hospitality Petty Cash			200.00	200.00				
Cash at Schwab			500.00	500.00				
<b>Liabilities</b>								
Crumlish Bequest			(1,000.00)	(1,000.00)				
Hope Lives for Lifers			(169.09)	(169.09)				
Huntington House			(1,029.72)	(1,029.72)				
2012 Surplus			(9,481.46)	(9,031.46)				
<b>Net Worth</b>			<b>25,455.05</b>	<b>26,229.08</b>				

\*Actual annual paid by NYQM is \$11,000 , 1/1/13 through 12/31/15  
YTD Contributions in 2012 :

356.28

Surplus if we retain \$30m in bank balances

3770.92

**Morningside's Peace and Social Concerns**

	2007	2009	2010	2011	2012	Schedule 2012	2013 11,000.00
<b>Local Hands-on Organizations</b>							
Alternatives to Violence (Pam)					\$300.00	Aug	
Catholic Worker (Vince)	\$400.00	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$350.00	October	
Huntington House (Helen)	\$300.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$300.00	\$400.00	May	
One Stop Senior Services (Jason)	\$700.00	\$800.00	\$600.00	?			
Redemption Center (Helen)	\$403.91	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00	June	
Campaign to End the New Jim Crow (Pam)				\$200.00	\$200.00	Nov	
Friends House Rose Hill (Ed Elder)		\$150.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	Nov	
<b>Wider Quaker Fellowship</b>							
NY Yearly Meeting Sharing Fund (Helen)	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	Nov	
NY Yearly Meeting Young Adult Friends (Sara)					\$500.00	June	
American Friends Service Cttee: Healing & Justice NE region (Pan	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	Nov	
Friends General Conference (Vince)	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	Dec	
Ramallah Friends School (FUM) (Pam)	\$500.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	Summer	
Friends World Cttee (Ernie)	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$200.00	Dec	
Quaker UN Office (Ernie)	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$300.00	Nov	
Bolivian Quaker Education Fund (Vince)	\$400.00	\$300.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	Nov	
NYQM African Education Committee (Corona)	\$350.00	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$550.00	October	
FLGBTQC (R Renwick)	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	Dec	
<b>National/ International Organizations</b>							
Christian Peacemaker Teams (Vince)	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	Dec	
AGLI (AfricanGreat Lakes) (Pam)	\$500.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	Dec	
FCNL (Jack)	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	June	
Brooklyn for Peace (Pam)	\$250.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$50.00	Dec	
National Religious Campaign Against Torture (Dave Britton)		\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	Dec	
Center for Conscience and War (Pam)	\$500.00	\$300.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	Dec	
N American Healing of Memories (Pam)		\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	Summer	
Progressa Guatemala (Charlotte)		\$100.00	\$150.00	?			
Haiti Support La Romana (Sally)							
Clean Water for Haiti (Haiti relief)			\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	June	
Amani Global Works (Dave Evans)					\$500.00	Nov	
<b>Friends in Unity with Nature (FUN)</b>							
BCI: Healthy Family Pantry (Mason)	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200.00				
Brownsville Co-op (Helen)	\$0.00	\$300.00		\$150.00			
Riverside Park Fund (Pam)					\$300.00	Dec	
New York Restoration Project (Charlene)					\$150.00	Dec	
East New York Farms (Helen)			\$150.00	?	\$250.00	May	
Quaker Earthcare Witness (Patricia)			\$150.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	Nov	
Argus(Pam)	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	Nov	
South Bronx Food Coop (Buddha)		\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,553.91</b>	<b>\$9,450.00</b>	<b>\$9,550.00</b>	<b>\$7,900.00</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
Local	23.9%	23.8%	22.0%	20.3%	17.0%		
Wider Quaker Organizations	45.0%	37.0%	34.6%	41.8%	39.0%		
National/International	31.1%	28.6%	33.0%	24.7%	28.0%		
FUN	0.0%	10.6%	10.5%	9.5%	13.0%		
Total Contributions		\$35,533	\$24,069	\$32,569	\$33,917		
Portion of Contributed Funds		26.6%	39.7%	24.3%	29.5%		

**Report of Ministry & Counsel to Meeting for Concerns  
February 3, 2013**

1. The next meeting of Ministry & Counsel will take place on Thursday, February 28, 2013, at 7:15 PM, at the home of Pamela Wood. Meeting members and attenders are welcome to attend the first, non-confidential part of the meeting. M & C requests that concerns be forwarded in writing if they are not to be presented in person. We ask the Meeting to hold our work in the Light.
2. Ministry & Counsel's next welcoming breakfast will take place on Sunday, February 24, at 9:30 am, in the Riverside Café. Pam Wood and Nancy Britton will host.
3. The two new spiritual nurture groups have both had their first meetings.
4. Ministry & Counsel forwards the request of Jessica Brockington to transfer her membership from Morningside Monthly Meeting to Chappaqua Monthly Meeting with a recommendation for approval.
5. Ministry & Counsel forwards Rick Panteleoni request to be released from membership with a recommendation for approval.
6. Ministry & Counsel have two up coming workshops planned. On Sunday, February 24, the topic will be "What do People Do in Meeting?" and on Sunday, March 24 we will discuss "Concerns and Leadings: How Do We Respond to Them?" The second date might be changed to host the NYYM Priorities Working Group. We are waiting to hear from them.
7. Ministry & Counsel is concerned that people are not always turning off their cell phones before Meeting. We are going to post several signs to see if this will encourage people be more conscious of this problem.
8. The Ministry & Counsel Committee is currently working on up dating the address list and contacting absent members.
9. We currently have 9 support committees.