

Morningside Monthly Meeting  
Meeting for Worship with a Concern For Business  
10/2/2011

present: Nancy Britton, Lee Rada, Charlene Ray, Helen Garay Toppins, Pamela Wood, Patricia Chernoff, Tom Goodgridge, Halle Jones, Dave Britton, Sally Campbell (clerk)

Meeting begins at 1:05 PM with silent Worship. The clerk reads from Paul's Letter to the Phillipians 4:4-9: Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Jesus Christ. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

The clerk reviews the agenda.

20111002.1 The Quaker United Nations Office (QUNO) asks Morningside to sponsor their monthly worship meeting on Wednesday 10/19/2011 with a box lunch at 12:30 and worship from 1-2:00 PM. Friends agree to sponsor the worship.

20111002.2 Friends ask the space committee to meet with the Riverside Church engineering staff to discuss getting fresh air into our meeting room.

20111002.3 Pamela Wood presents the Treasurer's Report for 9/2011 year to date. So far this year we have raised \$19,747, a bit more than half of the year's proposed budget. The Peace and Social Concerns expenditures are reviewed. Friends accept the report, which is attached.

20111002.4 The New York Yearly Meeting (NYYM) covenant contribution is reviewed in accord with last month's minutes. Helen Garay Toppins describes the work of the Yearly Meeting and its budget needs. She emphasizes the importance of the Yearly Meeting for meetings and worship groups that are in need or are just beginning. NYYM also connects monthly meetings to the wider Quaker organizations, nationally and internationally. NYYM also manages the sharing fund, which supports work such as prison worship groups. NYYM also pays for the annual Yearly Meeting and seasonal sessions, including facility and staff costs, and supports Powell House and Junior Yearly Meeting programs. Friends ask questions and discuss the budget implications, and note that Friends must be willing to contribute enough to keep this commitment without cutting other areas of the budget. Friends agree to make the covenant contribution commitment at the same level as last year, \$13,100.

20111002.5 Bedford-Stuyvesant Worship Group is asking for \$75 to advertise once in the Amsterdam News with an 1/8th page ad that will include reference to other Monthly Meetings in New York City, including Morningside. Friends agree to use \$75 for this from the miscellaneous contributions line.

20111002.6 Nancy Britton reports for Ministry and Counsel. The report is attached. The next

newcomer's breakfast is scheduled for 10/23. A post-meeting reflection on the State of the Meeting is scheduled for 12/18, and on 1/29/2012 the after-Meeting discussion is scheduled to be on "Why Do I come to Meeting?" On 10/23 we will host the Quarterly Meeting. "Quaker Sixes", an opportunity for small groups to get together for Friends to know each other better, are being organized for 10/30 to 11/6. There are 10 support and clearness committees ongoing at present.

20111002.7 The website progress is reported by Sally Campbell and Dave Britton. Quarterly Meeting Ministry and Counsel has decided to contract with Vonn New to develop the Quarter's website using the Drupal content management system, and will provide individual Meetings with sites using this central technology for \$750. Morningside will need to include this cost in the budget for 2012. Vonn will be at Quarterly Meeting to answer Friends' questions.

Meeting ends with silent Worship at 2:15 PM

In Friendship,  
Dave Britton, recording clerk

## Morningside Meeting Treasurer's Report

### Sept YTD 2011 Results

	2011 Proj. Exp.	1st Qtr Actual	2nd Qtr Actual	July/Aug Actual	Sept Actual	3rd Qtr Actual	9 mos YTD
NY Yearly Meeting	13100.00	3275.00	3275.00		3275.00	3275.00	9825.00
NYQM (Rent)	<u>9888.00</u>	<u>2472.00</u>	<u>2472.00</u>		<u>2472.00</u>	<u>2472.00</u>	<u>7416.00</u>
	22988.00	5747.00	5747.00		5747.00	5747.00	17241.00
P&SC/FUN	9850.00	0.00	150.00	2250.00	500.00	2750.00	2900.00
Misc. Contrib.	400.00	200.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	200.00
Scholarship/Relief	<u>1500.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>
	11750.00	200.00	550.00	2250.00	500.00	2750.00	3500.00
Communications	500.00		70.00	411.51	132.00	543.51	613.51
1st Day/Childcare	750.00						0.00
Hospitality	750.00	306.90	120.18			0.00	427.08
Clerk/ M & C	350.00	0.00	0.00	55.61	178.00	233.61	233.61
Finance	450.00	0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00
<u>Literature</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>57.50</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>40.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>40.00</u>	<u>97.50</u>
	3000.00	364.40	190.18	507.12	310.00	817.12	1371.70
	<b>37738.00</b>	<b>6311.40</b>	6487.18	<b>2757.12</b>	<b>6557.00</b>	<b>9314.12</b>	<b>22112.70</b>
Contributions		6788.29	5588.18	5830.00	1426.00	7256.00	19632.47
Books		<u>10.00</u>	<u>99.47</u>	<u>5.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>5.00</u>	<u>114.47</u>
		<b>6798.29</b>	<b>5687.65</b>	<b>5835.00</b>	<b>1426.00</b>	<b>7261.00</b>	<b>19746.94</b>
Bank Balance		32299.99	29292.46	32468.95	26239.95		
Cash		419.00	427.00	602.00	579.00		
Crumlish Bequest		(1500.00)	(1500.00)	(1500.00)	(1500.00)		
Hope Lives for Lifers		(169.09)	(169.09)	(169.09)	(169.09)		
Incarcerated Girls		(766.10)	(766.10)	(766.10)	(766.10)		
			<b>26857.27</b>	<b>30635.76</b>	<b>24383.76</b>		

**Report of Ministry & Counsel to Meeting for Concerns  
October 2, 2011**

1. The next meeting of Ministry & Counsel will take place on Thursday, October 27, 2011, 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, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 9:30 am, in the Riverside Café. Jason McGill and Nancy Britton will host. People should look for the sign on a table close to the door of the Cafe.
3. Ministry and Council plans to hold the State of the Meeting reflection on Sunday, December 18 at 1 PM. "Why Do I Come to Meeting?" will be the focus of a panel, followed by a discussion on Sunday, January 29. On Sunday, February 26, ARCH will sponsor worship sharing around end of life issues.
4. On October 25<sup>th</sup>, the fourth Sunday of the month, we are hosting NY Quarterly Meeting. There will be a meeting of young adult Friends on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor at that time as well. We will need to plan child care from 10:45 AM on as well.
5. During the period from Sunday, October 30 through November 6, Ministry & Counsel is organizing "Quaker Sixes," small groups of people from Meeting who will meet once to socialize and get to know each other better. Sign up sheets will be available through October 16<sup>th</sup>.
6. We currently have 10 support and clearness committees. One is in formation.