

Charleston Friends Meeting

RCCR Building
(Religious Coalition for Community Renewal)
1516 Washington Street East
Charleston, WV
<http://charlestonwv.quaker.org/>

Meeting for Business

October 1, 2017

Meeting was opened in silence.

Minutes of the previous Meeting for Business were approved.

Treasurer's Report for September was received and accepted. Treasurer will prepare a budget proposal for discussion at the November Meeting for Business, and hopefully approve in December.

WV Statewide Gathering

We approved financial support for friends and attenders towards the cost of the Gathering.

RCCR Annual Meeting

October 26, with a reception at 5:45 and meeting at 6:00. Nate will make an effort to attend, Charles will fill in if necessary. Nate spoke with Debra, who said the recycling of their funds is going smoothly. Mentioning the air freshener that some find irritating, they will make an effort to unplug it at the end of the workweek.

Sojourners and Men's Shelter Meals

We set dates and contacts for our traditional winter meals: Sojourners' on Dec 17, men's shelter on Feb 4. Steve will coordinate with Sojourners and we have volunteer shoppers for the children's gifts. Diana will coordinate with the men's shelter.

SAYMA Census and Assessment Report

We received and redistributed a report on the yearly census and the complexities of determining fair assessments to support the Yearly Meeting. It is a complex pair of issues and we will discuss the classification of members vs. attenders and how to tie the census to YM finances.

Adopt a Family

Conni will coordinate with Covenant House about gifts for a family of 3. She and Janie are designated shoppers, and contributions are encouraged.

Our Children Our Future Sponsorship

There is concern that we have had scant public recognition considering for our level of support. We will honor our budgeted \$500 this year but take further support under consideration, with an eye towards other means of public outreach.

Calendar:

Meeting for Worship is at 10 am at RCCR Building, unless noted here otherwise

Activities for Second Hour after Meeting for Worship:

- Oct 15 Report on SAYMA rep meeting and WV Gathering
- Oct 22
- Oct 29 Worship Sharing – Meeting will be at the African Zion Baptist Church in Malden (Booker's church)
- Nov 5 Meeting for Business
- Nov 12 Discussion of *Mothers of Feminism*, Ch. 2
- Nov 18 We will host SAYMA's Ministry and Nurture Committee as they meet in Charleston that weekend
- Nov 19 Open for hospitality to M&N
- Nov 26 Thanksgiving weekend: Turkey Optional Potluck
- Dec 3 Meeting for Business
- Dec 17 Sojourners' Christmas breakfast
- Feb 4 Superbowl Sunday dinner for the men's shelter

Bible study will meet at 6:30 pm Oct. 11 & 25 at the Wellons', and Nov. 8 & 29 at the Schade's

Our next book group discussion will be Friday, October 27, at the Wellons'. Potluck at 6pm, discussion at 7pm. The book is *Where Do Dreams and Dreaming Go? A Palestinian Quaker in America*, by May Mansoor Munn.

SAYMA's Ministry & Nurture Committee Visit

M&N will visit Charleston for its November meeting on the 18th. We will need hospitality for about 6, probably for 2 nights each, arrange with RCCR for their meeting space, and provide meals on Saturday. Diana, our representative, will handle the details.

AFSC Centennial Exhibition

Conni visited the exhibition housed at Guilford College, Greensboro NC and recommends a visit if in the area. She also recommends a viewing of their web page at <http://exhibit.afsc.org/>.

Meeting closed with silence