

Charleston Friends Meeting
RCCR Building
(Religious Coalition for Community Renewal)
1516 Washington Street East
Charleston, WV
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Meeting for Business
March 4, 2018

Meeting was opened in silence.

Minutes of February's Meeting for Business were approved, save for this change. Instead of stating, *"In the past, our Meeting searched for matching opportunities for donations."* Steve requested the minutes state: *"In December 2017, we gave the AFSC \$1500. that they said would be matched."*

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was approved. Karen Wise asked if we needed extra contributions for activities such as the Men's Shelter and Sojourner's. No, we do not, as our current budget will cover these items.

AFSC Letter: Steve Wellons composed and sent a letter to the AFSC requesting that our donation of \$1500., as well as its matching fund, be earmarked for the WV AFSC project. Steve also requested an explanation of the use of matching funds and our objection to their use.

SAYMA Representative Meeting will be March 17th. Karen and Roger Wise, Charles Schade and Wood Bouldin plan to attend.

SAYMA Census: Steve Wellons has completed the census for SAYMA. Many thanks to Steve! We added the category "Potluck Attenders". Steve will notify Liz Dykes that we have revised the questionnaire in this way.

FCNL Legislative Priorities: Conni Lewis requested that we check the FCNL website (fcn.org) to view FCNL legislative priorities. We will meet at Conni's home (4505 Staunton Ave, Charleston) on **March 15th at 6pm** at to discuss these priorities. We plan to prepare a document regarding these issues and approved by Meeting to submit to FCNL. Please send your thoughts on the matter to Conni (connigl@aol.com) if you cannot attend.

Calendar:

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

Activities for Second Hour after Meeting for Worship:

March 11: Discussion of Palestinian Minute (Charles Schade)

March 18: OPEN

March 25: *Mothers of Feminism*, Chap 6 (Karen Wise)

April 1: (*Easter*) Meeting for Business

April 8: Potluck at Lewis home

April 15: *Mothers of Feminism*, Chap 7 (Conni Lewis)

April 22: Meeting at Kanawha State Forest: breakfast at 10am, worship at 11am. (*We will gather exactly 1 mile from the Park entrance on the left.*)

April 29: Worship Sharing

Bible Study is March 13th and 27th at the Wellons home.

Our **Book Discussion Group** will get together **Friday, April 20th** at the Wellons': potluck at 6pm, discussion at 7pm. The book is *People's History of Sports in the United States: 250 Years of Politics, Protest, People and Play* by **Dave Zirin**.

Queries for March:

- Do you donate generously to causes that reflect your values?
- Do you strive to live below your means?
- Do you reach out to those less fortunate, giving your time and loving care.

“Carry On Campaign” for Foster Children: Roger Wise contacted the Carry-On program and found that Carry On mainly needs personal care items: deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, and feminine hygiene products, as well as ear buds and reading lights. There is no need for luggage at this time. Meeting will contribute ~\$100. to this cause, reimbursing Roger Wise for expenses he incurs for purchasing deodorant, shampoo, conditioner and shaving kits.

Berea Friends Meeting Proposal: BFM proposes establishing a complimentary and cooperative group to support the Uplifting Racial Justice advocates in SAYMA. We discussed this issue at some length. Charleston Friends Meeting feels that our SAYMA representative should take our thoughts to Representative Meeting and act as he is led on this matter.

Correspondence: Current correspondence was passed around the group. Conni Lewis has an extra copy of the FGC summer program.

- On **March 16th from 8-9 am**, there will be an **Annual Appreciation Breakfast** for participating congregations at the RCCR Building. If anyone is interested in attending, please let Nate Bowles know (nbowles@nbowleslaw.com) .
- The **Parkinson’s 5 K Run-Walk** (<https://runsignup.com/Race/WV/Charleston/FoxTrot5KRun>) will be March 24. Ray’s team is called the ***Cosmic Rays***. You can donate money through his team’s name via the link above.

Karen Wise will contact **Greenbrier Valley Friends’ Worship Group** about a possible May visit.

Meeting was closed with silence.

Susan Wellons, Recording Clerk