

# Southeastern Yearly Meeting

Quakers in Florida, southeast Georgia & coastal South Carolina

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## Fall Interim Business Meeting

Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017

### DOCUMENTS IN ADVANCE

*Greetings Friends,*

I offer this advice in preparation for our coming together:

*"[A]nd keep the gospel order... so that in all your men's and women's meetings, see that virtue flow, and see that all your words be gracious, and see that love flows, which bears all things, that kindness, tenderness and gentleness may be among you, and that the fruits of the good spirit may abound." ---George Fox, 1671*

-----Bill Carlie, clerk SEYM, acting EC/IBM clerk

**Agenda Items:** If you have an agenda item, please contact Bill Carlie, acting EC/IBM clerk:  
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### Sarasota Friends Meeting

3139 57<sup>th</sup> Street, Sarasota, FL 34243

#### Directions to Meetinghouse

From I-75 take Exit 213: University Parkway, International Airport, drive west (towards Sarasota) on University Pkwy about 3.5 miles to N. Lockwood Ridge Road. Turn left onto N. Lockwood Ridge Road take the 3rd right onto 57th St. The Meetinghouse is the first driveway on the right.

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**Hotels:** Here are some recommended nearby hotels---visit their websites for more information

**Courtyard Sarasota Bradenton Airport:** 850 University Pkwy. Sarasota, FL 34234. Call for our Quaker group rate.

**Hampton Inn & Suites Sarasota-Bradenton Airport:** 975 University Pkwy, Sarasota, FL 34243. From \$179/night

**Hyatt Place Sarasota:** 950 University Parkway, Sarasota, FL 34234. From \$158/night

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# Schedule & Agenda

## Friday, October 6

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### Executive Committee Meeting

- 6:00 pm Early arrivals; coffee & tea provided
- 7:00 pm Executive Committee meeting, *all are welcome*

## Saturday, October 7

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### Fall Interim Business Meeting

- 8:00 am Coffee & fellowship
- 9:00 am Worship
  - Nominating Committee preliminary report ..... page 3
  - Announcements
- 9:30 am Committee meetings - all are welcome to attend
- 12 noon Lunch provided by Sarasota Friends
- 1:00 pm **Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business**

#### AGENDA

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  - ProNica report
  - Representatives to Organizations
  - Reading back the minutes
- 4:30 pm Closing worship
- 5:00 pm Fellowship; dinner at a local restaurant

## Sunday, October 5

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- 10:00 am Worship with Sarasota Friends

### Other reports in these Documents

- Florida Council of Churches Report..... 14
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# Nominating Committee Report

The SEYM Nominating Committee would like to enlist the help of the clerks of monthly meetings to identify people who might be willing to serve the Yearly Meeting. So many good folks have answered the call in past years and we are grateful! Now we need others to step forward to give them a rest.

There are many ways folks can share their gifts and talents to benefit the yearly meeting. We do have some suggestions. Here are some of the positions open for which we need help:

- a recording clerk or clerks to take notes during the Gathering
- people who will help put together the programs and workshops for the Gathering
- people with archiving skills to preserve our records
- people who like working with children to serve on the Youth Committee
- representatives to Friends General Conference

Look within your meetings, especially for people who have attended YM in past years. Ask who is ready to deepen their connections to the wider Quaker world and help us sustain and maybe even grow our beloved Yearly Meeting community.

Volunteers may commit to one year only if they'd like to try out the position to see how it fits.

Let us know if you have potential nominees or some folks who are interested but would like more information. We are happy to talk to folks who have a leading or even a "leaning" to serve and join our volunteer cadre.

*In Friendship,*

Kathy Hersh, Nominating Committee clerk, [hershkathy@gmail.com](mailto:hershkathy@gmail.com)

## Summer Executive Committee Meeting • Numbered Minutes

- 17SEC01 SEYM Executive Committee releases Lisa Stewart from her service to SEYM as Interim Business Meeting Clerk. EC expresses its deep gratitude to Lisa Stewart for her years of service to SEYM.
- 17SEC02 SEYM Executive Committee approves Peter Schmidt and Stephanie Preston to serve as naming committee to find candidates for the three Nominating Committee vacancies which begin with FY 2018-19.
- 17SEC03 SEYM Executive Committee approves Sandra Schwartz of Clearwater Monthly Meeting as a FCNL representative.
- 17SEC04 SEYM Executive Committee agrees that the SEYM Treasurer, Treasurer of Trustees, and Administrative Secretary shall be signatories on the Southeastern Yearly Meeting accounts at Bank of America.
- To this end:
1. The following individuals shall be removed as signatories from these accounts: Lyn Cope, Caroline Lanker, and Ann Jerome.
  2. The following individuals shall be added as signatories on these accounts: Joel Cook (SEYM Treasurer).
  3. The following individuals shall remain as signatories on these accounts: Neil Andersen (Treasurer of Trustees) and Victoria Carlie (Administrative) Secretary.
- 17SEC05 SEYM Executive Committee expresses its profound thanks to Neil Andersen for his years of service as SEYM Treasurer, and for his mentoring of various other treasurers throughout the yearly meeting.
- 17SEC06 SEYM Executive Committee accepts the resignations of Josh Paolino, Vicki Mariner, and Brad Stocker as SEYM representatives on the ProNica Board of Directors.
- 17SEC07 SEYM Executive Committee approves the formation of an ad hoc committee to explore new ways of moving forward in serving the people of Nicaragua and Central America.

# Treasurer's Report • 2016 Fiscal Year End

## Annual Financial Report at Fall Interim Business Meeting 2017

Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 (June 1, 2016 thru May 31, 2017)

All values are rounded to the nearest whole dollar.

### SEYM Total Cash Flow (not including Trustees)

The overall cash flow of the Yearly Meeting (excluding the separately-reported accounts under the care of the Trustees) showed a net income of \$1,948 (excluding unrealized capital gains), resulting from an income of \$135,512 against \$133,564 in expenses.

### SEYM General Fund (Administration) and Budget

The General Fund Budget of \$69,490, approved with zero net income at the 2016 Yearly Meeting, showed an actual net deficit of \$8,498 for the Fiscal Year, resulting from total income of \$64,900 (93% of total budgeted income) against expenses of \$73,398 (106% of total budgeted). This result is attributed to Apportionment payments less than expected (see below) combined with an approved purchase of office computer equipment and an increase in compensated hours for staff which were not expected in the Budget approved at the 2016 Yearly Meeting.

The General Fund had Net Assets of \$48,091 at the end of the fiscal year, reserved for future needs.

### Contributions & Budget Support Apportionments Received

In response to the Apportionment requests (which are one of the sources of the income required to support the approved Budget of the General Fund), total contributions of \$54,630 (87% of the \$60,880 budgeted request) were received.

Of the nineteen (19) Monthly Meetings and Worship Groups in the Apportionment requests, fifteen (15) contributed support, including three that exceeded and six that fully met their requested amount.

Unrestricted individual contributions toward the Budget totaled \$2,536, exceeding the \$2,000 budgeted request.

In addition, two very welcome contributions were received from affiliated Worship Groups that are not part of the Apportionments request.

Restricted contributions totaling \$14,629 were received for four Programs outside the Budget and for a Fund under the care of the Trustees.

### Results for Individual Programs

The following three annual programs are planned to have zero net income; at their conclusion any deficit (net expense) is paid by the General Fund and any surplus (net income) will be transferred to other areas in accordance with existing Yearly Meeting policy:

- The Half-Yearly Meeting had a net income of \$516, to be transferred to the General Fund.
- The Michener Lecture had a net income of \$54, to be invested in the Michener Lecture Endowment Fund under the care of the Trustees.

- The Yearly Meeting Annual Gathering and Walton Lecture had a net income of \$3,305, to be invested in the Walton Lecture Endowment Fund under the care of the Trustees.

The Programs for Youth account had a net income of \$2,136, resulting in net assets of \$7,784 at Fiscal Year-end which are reserved for future programs.

The Publications Program cash account had a net deficit of \$3,913 (income \$4,169 and expenses \$8,082), reflecting on-going special efforts to reduce a production backlog of committed publications and to convert selected previously-published pamphlets to an e-reader format, offset by income from sales. At Fiscal Year end the Program's Net Assets available for future projects were \$6,484, including the market value of the associated SEYM investment.

The SEYM Field Secretary for Earthcare Program (established at 2015 SEYM sessions) had a net income of \$7,347 during this Fiscal Year 2016-2017, resulting from \$13,930 of donations from individuals and meetings and \$5,000 transferred from Trustees, less \$11,578 total expenses incurred since the Field Secretary started in October 2016. At Fiscal Year end the Program's Net Assets were \$27,994 available for future work. Note that Trustees expect to transfer the previously committed additional \$5,000 in the coming Fiscal Year.

#### Net Worth

The Net Worth of the Yearly Meeting at the end of the Fiscal Year, including the investments under care of the Trustees, was \$540,872 (reflecting \$629 in current liabilities and including \$25,717 of unrealized capital gains), an increase of \$23,390 over the twelve months.

Neil H. Andersen  
SEYM Treasurer-of-Record

October 7, 2017

Southeastern Yearly Meeting  
Balance Sheet Comparison with Previous Year  
As of May 31, 2017

QBP20170724 &0822	<u>May 31, 17</u>	<u>May 31, 16</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
0501 · Checking Account BOA			
511 · Checking - Gen'l Fund - General	-12,052.62	36,899.19	-48,951.81
560 · Checking-GF-Triennial Travel	5,848.18	4,848.18	1,000.00
566 · Checking-GF-Sufferings	170.00	170.00	0.00
610 · Checking-SA-Michener	1,812.96	1,758.78	54.18
630 · Checking-SA-YBM Gathering	5,000.85	1,695.56	3,305.29
640 · Checking-SA-Programs for Youth	7,783.68	5,647.27	2,136.41
650 · Checking-SA-HYM	228.59	119.09	109.50
670 · Checking - SA - Earthcare	27,994.40	20,647.15	7,347.25
680 · Checking-SA-Publications	-7,131.89	-3,218.46	-3,913.43
700 · Checking-Trustees			
705 · Checking - Gathering Youth Fund	3,773.74	3,723.74	50.00
725 · Checking - Unrestricted Fund	29,377.60	0.00	29,377.60
750 · Checking -FGC Meetinghouse Fund	2,575.00	1,900.00	675.00
Total 700 · Checking-Trustees	<u>35,726.34</u>	<u>5,623.74</u>	<u>30,102.60</u>
Total 0501 · Checking Account BOA	65,380.49	74,190.50	-8,810.01
903 · Savings BOA	60,854.56	20,834.56	40,020.00
999 · Pay Pal	134.72	134.72	0.00
Total Checking/Savings	<u>126,369.77</u>	<u>95,159.78</u>	<u>31,209.99</u>
Accounts Receivable			
1100 · Accounts Receivable	20.52	20.52	0.00
Total Accounts Receivable	<u>20.52</u>	<u>20.52</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Other Current Assets			
1180 · FFC SOYM1 Publications Investme	13,615.88	12,801.96	813.92
1200 · Trustee Investments			
1205 · FFC SOYMT6 GatheringYouth Fund	104,766.01	98,759.55	6,006.46
1210 · FFC SOYMT3 Michener	21,949.98	20,691.55	1,258.43
1215 · FFC SOYMT2 BertscheTravel Fd	45,790.93	43,165.64	2,625.29
1220 · FFC SOYMT5 Sec's Salary Fund	106,754.58	100,634.11	6,120.47
1225 · FFC SOYMT4 Unrestricted	59,160.96	54,268.93	4,892.03
1230 · FFC SOYMT1 Walton Fund	40,572.31	38,246.22	2,326.09
1250 · FGC Meetinghouse Fund	22,500.00	22,500.00	0.00
1255 · Domini Fund			
1257 · Domini International Equity	0.00	15,037.14	-15,037.14
1259 · Domini Social Equity Fund	0.00	17,666.14	-17,666.14
Total 1255 · Domini Fund	<u>0.00</u>	<u>32,703.28</u>	<u>-32,703.28</u>
Total 1200 · Trustee Investments	<u>401,494.77</u>	<u>410,969.28</u>	<u>-9,474.51</u>
Total Other Current Assets	<u>415,110.65</u>	<u>423,771.24</u>	<u>-8,660.59</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>541,500.94</u>	<u>518,951.54</u>	<u>22,549.40</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>541,500.94</u></u>	<u><u>518,951.54</u></u>	<u><u>22,549.40</u></u>

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Balance Sheet Comparison with Previous Year  
As of May 31, 2017

QBP20170724 &0822	<u>May 31, 17</u>	<u>May 31, 16</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
1300 · Expected/prepaid expenses	-406.65	0.00	-406.65
1370 · Payroll Liabilities			
1372 · SEYM Payroll Liability	419.44	598.45	-179.01
1370 · Payroll Liabilities - Other	616.49	871.06	-254.57
Total 1370 · Payroll Liabilities	<u>1,035.93</u>	<u>1,469.51</u>	<u>-433.58</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>629.28</u>	<u>1,469.51</u>	<u>-840.23</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>629.28</u>	<u>1,469.51</u>	<u>-840.23</u>
Total Liabilities	629.28	1,469.51	-840.23
Equity			
1400 · Trustees Funds Equity	296,693.93	296,693.93	0.00
1500 · Operational Equity/ Net Assets			
1511 · General Fund Net Assets	29,324.36	29,324.36	0.00
1560 · Triennial Travel Net Assets	5,349.80	5,349.80	0.00
1580 · Publications Net Assets	14,341.85	14,341.85	0.00
Total 1500 · Operational Equity/ Net Assets	<u>49,016.01</u>	<u>49,016.01</u>	<u>0.00</u>
1700 · Retained Earnings	171,772.09	175,877.25	-4,105.16
Net Income	<u>23,389.63</u>	<u>-4,105.16</u>	<u>27,494.79</u>
Total Equity	<u>540,871.66</u>	<u>517,482.03</u>	<u>23,389.63</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u><u>541,500.94</u></u>	<u><u>518,951.54</u></u>	<u><u>22,549.40</u></u>

Southeastern Yearly Meeting  
General Fund Budget vs. Actual Income & Expenses  
June 2016 through May 2017

QB P20170724 & 0822	Twelve Months Actual	Fiscal Year Budget	Over/Under(-) Budget	% of Budget
<b>Income</b>				
2000 · Income				
2001 · Donations				
2002 · Indivd.Donations-Classes	2,536.00	2,000.00	536.00	127%
2003 · Meeting Donations				
2023 · Meeting Donations, WG wo apport	125.00	0.00	125.00	n/a
2003 · Meeting Donations - Apportionments	54,629.50	60,880.00	-6,250.50	90%
Total 2003 · Meeting Donations	<u>54,754.50</u>	<u>60,880.00</u>	<u>-6,125.50</u>	<u>90%</u>
Total 2001 · Donations	57,290.50	62,880.00	-5,589.50	91%
2200 · Investment Earnings				
2203 · Savings Account Interest	20.00	10.00	10.00	200%
Total 2200 · Investment Earnings	<u>20.00</u>	<u>10.00</u>	<u>10.00</u>	<u>200%</u>
Total 2000 · Income	57,310.50	62,890.00	-5,579.50	91%
2700 · Transfer in FROM other classes				
2712 · Michener Lect. to GF/insurance	150.00	150.00	0.00	100%
2732 · Gath/Walton to GF/insurance	900.00	900.00	0.00	100%
2752 · HYM to GF/insurance	450.00	450.00	0.00	100%
2804 · from Trustee's Funds				
2815 · for BertscheOutreach Travel	1,827.92	1,500.00	327.92	122%
2820 · for Staff Salary	4,261.53	3,600.00	661.53	118%
Total 2804 · from Trustee's Funds	<u>6,089.45</u>	<u>5,100.00</u>	<u>989.45</u>	<u>119%</u>
Total 2700 · Transfer in FROM other classes	<u>7,589.45</u>	<u>6,600.00</u>	<u>989.45</u>	<u>115%</u>
Total Income	<u>64,899.95</u>	<u>69,490.00</u>	<u>-4,590.05</u>	<u>93%</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
2999 · Expenses				
3000 · Operating Costs				
3001 · Bank Service Charges	0.00	20.00	-20.00	0%
3002 · PayPal service fee	0.00	10.00	-10.00	0%
3080 · Duplication	1,075.95	1,000.00	75.95	108%
3106 · Liability Insurance	1,368.36	1,400.00	-31.64	98%
3107 · Youth Worker CAP Certification	87.45	150.00	-62.55	58%
3146 · Non-Profit Corporation Fee	0.00	60.00	-60.00	0%
3200 · Office Supplies	717.64	500.00	217.64	144%
3270 · Payroll Expenses	36,095.08	29,200.00	6,895.08	124%
3271 · Employee insurance/medical	0.00	0.00	0.00	n/a
3272 · Employer Payroll Taxes	2,762.73	2,200.00	562.73	126%
3380 · Postage/Shipping	385.83	500.00	-114.17	77%
3381 · Post Office Box rental	152.00	200.00	-48.00	76%
3400 · Office Equipment	1,417.42	400.00	1,017.42	354%
3500 · Professional Fees	1,325.00	1,400.00	-75.00	95%
3640 · Rent warehouse/office	1,590.85	1,400.00	190.85	114%
3700 · Repairs	102.09	200.00	-97.91	51%
3816 · Software	1,229.82	1,400.00	-170.18	88%
3840 · Telephone & Inet access	1,597.81	2,000.00	-402.19	80%
3860 · Travel Administrative	1,393.88	2,000.00	-606.12	70%
3900 · Website	909.82	1,000.00	-90.18	91%
Total 3000 · Operating Costs	<u>52,211.73</u>	<u>45,040.00</u>	<u>7,171.73</u>	<u>116%</u>



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General Fund Budget vs. Actual Income & Expenses  
June 2016 through May 2017

QB20170724 &0822	Twelve Months Actual	Fiscal Year Budget	Over/Under(-) Budget	% of Budget
4000 · Committees Operating Expenses				
4309 · Archives	0.00	550.00	-550.00	0%
4329 · EC and IBM	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0%
4339 · Faith and Practice	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
4349 · Finance	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
4359 · Nominating	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
4369 · Peace and Social Concerns	250.00	450.00	-200.00	56%
4389 · Youth Committee	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
4399 · Worship and Ministry	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0%
4429 · Earthcare	368.00	500.00	-132.00	74%
4449 · Publications	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
4469 · Racism, Ministry on	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
4489 · Young Adult Quakers	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
Total 4000 · Committees Operating Expenses	<u>618.00</u>	<u>2,100.00</u>	<u>-1,482.00</u>	<u>29%</u>
5000 · Donations to Organizations				
5007 · AFSC	200.00	200.00	0.00	100%
5018 · Earlham School of Religion	100.00	100.00	0.00	100%
5027 · FCNL	300.00	300.00	0.00	100%
5028 · QEW (FCUN)	200.00	200.00	0.00	100%
5030 · FLGBTQC	100.00	100.00	0.00	100%
5037 · FGC	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00	100%
5038 · FLCoalition for Peace & Justice	100.00	100.00	0.00	100%
5047 · Florida Council of Churches	200.00	200.00	0.00	100%
5048 · Florida Impact	300.00	300.00	0.00	100%
5057 · Friends Journal	100.00	100.00	0.00	100%
5061 · Friends Peace Teams	500.00	500.00	0.00	100%
5067 · FUM	500.00	500.00	0.00	100%
5068 · FWCC	1,450.00	1,450.00	0.00	100%
5077 · Pendle Hill	100.00	100.00	0.00	100%
5078 · ProNica	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	100%
5085 · Quaker House of Fayetteville NC	200.00	200.00	0.00	100%
5087 · Quaker Life	100.00	100.00	0.00	100%
5089 · QUNO	100.00	100.00	0.00	100%
5097 · Wm Penn House	100.00	100.00	0.00	100%
Total 5000 · Donations to Organizations	<u>9,850.00</u>	<u>9,850.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>100%</u>
8000 · Representative Travel				
8160 · Annual Representative	1,683.00	4,000.00	-2,317.00	42%
8460 · Travel Support to SEYM Business	1,100.00	1,000.00	100.00	110%
8000 · Representative Travel - Other	535.45	0.00	535.45	n/a
Total 8000 · Representative Travel	<u>3,318.45</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>	<u>-1,681.55</u>	<u>66%</u>
8500 · Contingency	1,900.00	2,000.00	-100.00	95%
Total 2999 · Expenses	<u>67,898.18</u>	<u>63,990.00</u>	<u>3,908.18</u>	<u>106%</u>
9000 · Transfer OUT TO other classes				
9004 · for Youth Programs	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	100%
9005 · for Gathering Youth	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	100%
9060 · for Triennial Travel	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	100%
Total 9000 · Transfer OUT TO other classes	<u>5,500.00</u>	<u>5,500.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>100%</u>
Total Expenses	<u>73,398.18</u>	<u>69,490.00</u>	<u>3,908.18</u>	<u>106%</u>
Net Income	<u>-8,498.23</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-8,498.23</u>	<u>n/a</u>

Southeastern Yearly Meeting  
Income & Expense by Class  
June 2016 through May 2017

Income	Admin/ General Fund	Gathering/ Walton Lecture	Half Yearly Meeting (HYM)	Michener Lecture	Programs for Youth	Publications	Field Secrtry - Earthcare (FSE)	Triennial Travel	Trustees	TOTAL
2000 · Income										
2001 · Donations										
2002 · Individ.Donations-Classes	2,536.00	0.00	94.25	30.00	480.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	3,190.25
2003 · Meeting Donations										
2023 · Meeting Donations, WG we apport	125.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	125.00
2003 · Meeting Donations - Other	54,629.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	54,629.50
Total 2003 · Meeting Donations	54,754.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	54,754.50
2060 · Donations - Restricted	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,925.00	0.00	0.00	13,925.00
Total 2001 · Donations	57,290.50	0.00	94.25	30.00	480.00	0.00	13,925.00	0.00	50.00	71,869.75
2200 · Investment Earnings										
2203 · Savings Account Interest	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
2205 · Dividends FFC Gathering Youth	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,182.15	4,182.15
2210 · Dividends FFC Michener Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	876.22	876.22
2215 · Dividends FFC Bertsche OuTravel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,827.92	1,827.92
2220 · Dividends-FFC Sec. Salary Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,261.53	4,261.53
2230 · Dividends FFC Walton Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,619.60	1,619.60
2250 · Interest FGC Meetinghouse Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	675.00	675.00
2280 · Dividends FFC SEYM Publications	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	543.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	543.54
2290 · Investment Capital Gains/Losses										
2206 · Capital Gain(Loss) Gath. Youth	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,006.46	6,006.46
2211 · Capital Gain(Loss) Michener	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,258.43	1,258.43
2216 · Capital Gain(Loss) BertscheOTra	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,625.29	2,625.29
2221 · Capital Gain(Loss) Sec.'sSal Fd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,120.47	6,120.47
2226 · Capital Gain(Loss) Unrestricted	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,892.03	4,892.03
2231 · Capital Gain(Loss) Walton	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,326.09	2,326.09
2256 · Capital Gain(Loss) Domini	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,674.32	1,674.32
2281 · Capital Gain(loss) SEYM Publish	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	813.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	813.92
Total 2290 · Investment Capital Gains/Losses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	813.92	0.00	0.00	24,903.09	25,717.01
Total 2200 · Investment Earnings	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,357.46	0.00	0.00	36,345.51	39,722.97
2400 · Program Registrations										
2430 · Registration Fee	0.00	4,515.00	2,916.27	1,330.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,761.63
2435 · Lodging	0.00	15,136.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,136.84
2437 · Food, Dining Room	0.00	9,732.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,732.50
Total 2400 · Program Registrations	0.00	29,384.34	2,916.27	1,330.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,630.97
2600 · Sales										
2630 · Book/consignment Sales	0.00	1,104.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,104.82
2680 · Publication Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,595.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,595.19
2681 · DeClutter, LittleQuakerBook of	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00
Total 2600 · Sales	0.00	1,104.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,625.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,730.01
Total 2000 · Income	57,310.50	30,489.16	3,010.52	1,360.36	480.00	4,982.65	13,925.00	0.00	38,395.51	149,953.70
2700 · Transfer in FROM other classes										
2712 · Michener Lect. to GF/Insurance	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
2732 · Gath/Walton to GF/Insurance	900.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	900.00
2752 · HYM to GF/Insurance	450.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	450.00
2784 · from GF for YouthProgramsClass	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
2801 · transfer from General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
2802 · from GF for Gathering Youth	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00

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2804 - from Trustee's Funds										
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2805 - for Gathering Youth	0.00	4,182.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,182.15
2810 - for Michener Lecture	0.00	0.00	0.00	876.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	876.22
2815 - for Bertsche/Outreach Travel	1,827.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,827.92
2820 - for Staff Salary	4,261.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,261.53
2830 - for Walton Lecture/Gathering	0.00	1,619.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,619.60
2804 - from Trustee's Funds - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Total 2804 - from Trustee's Funds	6,089.45	5,801.75	0.00	876.22	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17,767.42
Total 2700 - Transfer in FROM other classes	7,589.45	7,801.75	0.00	876.22	2,500.00	0.00	5,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	24,767.42
Total Income	64,899.95	38,290.91	3,010.52	2,236.58	2,980.00	4,982.56	18,925.00	1,000.00	38,395.51	174,721.12
Expense										
2999 - Expenses										
3000 - Operating Costs										
3002 - PayPal service fee	0.00	485.30	0.00	1.17	0.59	0.00	1.75	0.00	0.00	488.81
3080 - Duplication	1,075.95	219.79	42.00	36.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,374.19
3100 - Insurance										
3106 - Liability Insurance	1,368.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,368.36
Total 3100 - Insurance	1,368.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,368.36
3107 - Youth Worker CAP Certification	87.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	87.45
3200 - Office Supplies	7,177.64	81.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	352.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,150.84
3270 - Payroll Expenses	36,095.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,400.00	0.00	0.00	46,495.08
3272 - Employer Payroll Taxes	2,762.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	795.60	0.00	0.00	3,558.33
3380 - Postage/Shipping	3,865.83	66.54	31.55	25.10	0.00	77.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	586.17
3381 - Post Office Box rental	152.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	152.00
3400 - Office Equipment	1,417.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,417.42
3500 - Professional Fees										
3536 - Consulting	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
3556 - Web consult/CGI script	1,250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,250.00
3586 - E-pub Dist fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29.00
3596 - Publications Editing & Publishing	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	499.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	499.86
5187 - QUP (Quaker's Uniting in Public	75.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
Total 3500 - Professional Fees	1,325.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,528.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,853.86
3640 - Rent warehouse/office										
3642 - Office Rent	600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	600.00
3643 - Storage Unit	990.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	990.85
Total 3640 - Rent warehouse/office	1,590.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,590.85
3700 - Repairs										
3740 - Computer Repairs	102.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	102.09
Total 3700 - Repairs	102.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	102.09
3816 - Software	1,229.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	218.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,448.60
3840 - Telephone & Inet access	1,597.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,597.81
3860 - Travel Administrative	1,393.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	380.40	0.00	0.00	1,774.28
3900 - Website										
3641 - Rent E-Data off-site storage	624.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	624.00
3940 - Domain Name Registrations	70.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.44
3900 - Website - Other	215.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	215.38
Total 3900 - Website	909.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	909.82
Total 3000 - Operating Costs	52,211.73	852.80	73.55	62.72	0.59	5,176.82	11,577.75	0.00	0.00	69,955.96

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4000 - Committees Operating Expenses										
4369 - Peace and Social Concerns	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00
4429 - Earthcare	368.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	368.00
<b>Total 4000 - Committees Operating Expenses</b>	<b>618.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>618.00</b>
5000 - Donations to Organizations										
5007 - AFSC	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
5018 - Earham School of Religion	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
5027 - FCNL	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
5028 - QEW (FCUN)	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
5030 - FLGBTQC	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
5037 - FGC	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
5038 - FLCoalition for Peace & Justice	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
5047 - Florida Council of Churches	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
5048 - Florida Impact	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
5057 - Friends Journal	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
5061 - Friends Peace Teams	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
5067 - FUM	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
5068 - FWCC	1,450.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,450.00
5077 - Pendle Hill	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
5078 - ProNica	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
5085 - Quaker House of Fayetteville NC	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
5087 - Quaker Life	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
5089 - QUNO	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
5097 - Wm Penn House	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
<b>Total 5000 - Donations to Organizations</b>	<b>9,850.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>9,850.00</b>
6000 - Production										
6080 - ISSN Printing, Publications	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,364.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,364.90
6280 - Printing, Service Bureau	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	116.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	116.00
6380 - ISBN production	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	424.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	424.44
<b>Total 6000 - Production</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,905.34</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,905.34</b>
7000 - Operating Costs Programs										
7086 - Equipment Rental	0.00	0.00	0.00	460.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	460.00
7200 - Food, snacks	0.00	25.47	770.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	796.29
7500 - Site Fees	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
7534 - Site Deposits	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7537 - Site Fees- Meals	0.00	9,994.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,994.00
7537 - Food, Dining Room	0.00	208.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	208.00
7606 - Meals for Youth Workers	0.00	287.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	287.00
7607 - Meals YM Staff	0.00	1,403.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,403.00
7616 - Meals - Scholarships	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7637 - Reimbursement for food/fodging	0.00	0.00	0.00	437.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	437.28
<b>Total 7534 - Site Fees- Meals</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>11,892.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>437.28</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>12,329.28</b>

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QB20170724 &0822										
7575 - Site Fees - Lodging	0.00	7,858.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,858.07
7570 - Lodging	0.00	1,224.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,224.00
7580 - Camping/Hookups	0.00	7,134.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,134.13
7585 - Lodging - Scholarships	0.00	232.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	232.00
7587 - Lodging - Youth Workers	0.00	460.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	460.00
7590 - Lodging - SEYM Staff	0.00	16,908.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16,908.20
Total 7575 - Site Fees - Lodging	0.00	798.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	798.00
7597 - General Conference Rooms	0.00	798.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	798.00
Total 7595 - Site Fees - Meeting Rooms	0.00	29,598.20	1,200.00	437.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	31,235.48
Total 7500 - Site Fees	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
7650 - Speaker Honorarium	0.00	325.00	0.00	572.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	897.40
7660 - Speaker travel	0.00	1,284.15	0.00	0.00	580.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,864.15
7800 - Youth Program	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
7804 - Youth Prg. Expenses/Fees/Other	0.00	2,784.15	0.00	0.00	580.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,364.15
7805 - Youth Program Leader/childcare	0.00	33,232.82	1,970.82	1,969.68	580.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	37,753.32
Total 7800 - Youth Program	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 7000 - Operating Costs Programs	0.00	1,683.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,683.00
8160 - Annual Representative	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	263.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	263.00
8360 - Other Travel	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.00
8460 - Travel Support to SEYM Business	535.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	535.45
8000 - Representative Travel - Other	3,318.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	263.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,581.45
Total 8000 - Representative Travel	1,900.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,900.00
8500 - Contingency	67,898.18	34,085.62	2,044.37	2,032.40	843.59	8,082.16	11,577.75	0.00	0.00	126,564.07
Total 2999 - Expenses	0.00	900.00	450.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
9000 - Transfer OUT TO other classes										
9002 - to GF for insurance	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
9004 - for Youth Programs	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
9005 - for Gathering Youth	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
9060 - for Triennial Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9210 - for Michener Lecture	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9215 - for Michener Outreach/Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9220 - for Staff Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9230 - for Walton Lecture/Gathering	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9000 - Transfer OUT TO other classes - Other	5,500.00	900.00	450.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,750.00
Total 9000 - Transfer OUT TO other classes	73,398.18	34,985.62	2,494.37	2,182.40	843.59	8,082.16	11,577.75	0.00	0.00	151,331.49
Total Expense	-8,498.23	3,305.29	516.15	54.18	2,136.41	-3,099.51	7,347.25	1,000.00	20,628.09	23,389.63
Net Income	-8,498.23	3,305.29	516.15	54.18	2,136.41	-3,913.43	7,347.25	1,000.00	-4,275.00	-2,327.38
Net Income before Unrealized Capital Gains/Losses										

## Archives Committee Report FIBM 2017

From July 17th through the 21st, Neil and Phoebe Andersen and I worked on our archives collection at the University of Florida Library in Gainesville. There were many papers to check against our collection, filling any gaps and weeding out duplicates. Neil and Phoebe were a tremendous help! It would have taken me a lot longer to do this by myself. We made great progress.

A proposed minute:

**Archives Committee and SEYM thanks Derek and April Merleaux for copying Miami Meeting papers onto CD-ROMs and mailing the latter to the University of Florida Library.**

Meetings are asked to put their records onto CD-ROMs with text in pdf format and pictures/graphics in JPG or TIFF format. The CDs should be labeled as to Meeting name and year(s) of contents. Please mail them with an attached note: "For SEYM Archives" to

F. Turcotte  
207 Smathers Library  
PO Box 117005  
Gainesville, FL 32611-7005.

---Bill Rapp, Archives Committee Clerk

## Florida Council of Churches Report Fall Interim Business Meeting 2017

The Florida Council of Churches (FCC), <http://www.floridachurches.org>, has not convened a meeting of the Board since the SEYM Yearly Meeting report. Dr. Meyers and I, however, remain in contact through email and shared activities in the local community. We both are active members of the Organize NOW Tampa Climate Justice Committee. We also are working on a 2018 event for the Florida Climate Action Network. FCC continues to work on its Faith Reforming Justice in Florida initiative. (See <https://floridachurches.org/reform/>.) The focus areas are:

- The Death Penalty
- Direct File
- Civil Citations
- Mandatory Minimums
- Rights Restoration

For more information on the Reform Justice Campaign, see Readings for the Reform Justice Campaign, <https://floridachurches.org/readings-reform-justice-campaign/> and <https://floridachurches.org/2017/04/>. I am working with FCC and other faith-based and secular organizations to convene a Native Wisdom Day on 9 Tenth Month 2017 at Sacred Lands, St. Petersburg, Florida. More details on this event will be posted on the FSE and SEYM Facebook pages, the SEYM newsletter and website.

Submitted by Beverly Ward  
SEYM Representative to Florida Council of Churches

# Committee for Ministry on Racism Report

Fall Interim Business Meeting • October 7, 2017

*We (Baltimore Yearly Meeting, August 18) have received this message from Charlottesville Friends Meeting and they have asked us to share it with Friends everywhere:*

**“Thank you for your kind words. Saturday was very difficult. Charlottesville Friends held a Meeting for Worship in a downtown park, and several of us worshiped in our meetinghouse in the afternoon. A Friend served as a marshal in the park, and some served as medics. Some marched with city clergy, some sang on the steps of a protected church. Now we are tired, of course, and still discerning our way forward. But we are committed to following our leadings for social justice.**

**“It is incredibly helpful to know that Friends elsewhere are with us in the Spirit. Please send our greetings to the Yearly Meeting, and thank them both for holding us in the Light and for the work they do in their own communities.”**

The Committee for Ministry on Racism, along with all of Southeastern Yearly Meeting, joins other Friends in holding Charlottesville Friends, Charlottesville, all who were at the tragic protests and those dear to them in the Light. Likewise, we hold victims of natural disasters, such as Hurricane Harvey and the ongoing extensive flooding in Southeast Asia in prayer. We are grateful for the continuous efforts that so many Friends and others are putting forward to address these issues and more and the racism and climate change beneath it all. We seek way forward as a committee on how best to serve from the Spirit in doing away with racism- how to most effectively support our Southeastern Yearly Meeting Community in our communal efforts to do this. We are grateful for the suggestions Friends have given us. We are grateful for worship that allows us to act with love from the Center.

Our committee has not met throughout the summer because of the clerk's absence, but will be meeting Saturday morning, October 7. We are eager for you join us in worship and discernment. So far our agenda items include:

- Discernment of way forward as a committee
- Approval of cover letter to accompany the sending to all Yearly Meetings Minute **17YM08**, on Ending Slavery For All, approved at our April Gathering Business Sessions
- Discussion of the Doctrine of Discovery- learning from Boulder Friends.

For those of you on Facebook, or thinking about going there, Southeastern Yearly Meeting has a lively Facebook page with current experiences of living in the Spirit and information to help with way forward on many issues. Thank you, Friends, for those contributions!

Please contact committee members with your ideas and concerns:

Susan Taylor, co-clerk, Tallahassee; Wendy Clarissa Geiger, co-clerk, Jacksonville; Cheryl Demers-Holton, Gainesville; Minerva Glidden- Orlando. We were sorry that Lisa Stuart, Palm Beach, had to leave the committee because she moved out of state. We wish her well, and are very grateful for her contributions to the committee. We are grateful to Beverly Ward, Field Secretary for Earthcare, for coming to our meetings when she can and sending us helpful information.

Travel safely on the way to Fall Interim Business Meeting. It will be spiritually nourishing to be with you all.

In loving peace,

Susan Taylor, co-clerk

# Field Secretary for Earthcare (FSE) Report

Fall Interim Business Meeting 2017

## Overview

Friends, this is an update of the activities of the SEYM Field Secretary from 1 Fourth Month through mid Eighth Month 2017. It also includes a number of planned activities. One activity is to complete a report of the year's activities to be available on 7 Tenth Month 2017. Your suggestions, thoughts, and concerns are welcome. Thank you for your Light and Love.

## Communication with the Anchoring Committee

Communication with the Anchoring Committee has included email contact, efforts to schedule a telephone conference call, and individual contacts with committee members.

## Developing a Schedule for Meeting with Monthly Meetings (MMs), Worship Groups (WGs), and Others

As a reminder, the suggested visitation request process: "Meetings can issue invitations to the [SEYM] administrative secretary, FSE, or the Anchor Committee. We will all conference over the invitation and subsequent planning" (Phoebe Andersen, 3 Tenth Month).

A Google calendar showing requests for visitation and FSE has been created and shared with the Anchoring Committee and the Co-Clerks of the Earthcare Committee. Upcoming visits are shown below. MMs and WGs continue to express interest in visits, particularly in conjunction with annual retreats.

## Half Yearly Meeting, 2017

I attended and participated Half Yearly Meeting, including a giving a talk on my vision as FSE and an excerpt from the SEYM vulnerability and risk white paper I am developing. This excerpt focused on the Sabal Trail Transmission pipeline, which is currently under construction. I also participated in the No-Talent Show with the Faith and No Practice Chorus.

## Miami Monthly Meeting, Firstday, 4 Twelfth Month 2016

Consideration was given to a community-wide meeting coordinated with faith-based and other environmental groups in the area either on Sixthday or Seventhday, 2 or 3 Twelfth Month. Also, I suggested consideration of meeting with the offices of congressional representatives, to the extent feasible on Seconday, 5 Twelfth Month.

## Unitarian-Universalists of Clearwater Open Issues Forum, Scheduled 11 Twelfth Month 2016

## Clearwater Monthly Meeting, Scheduled 29 First Month 2017

## Sarasota Monthly Meeting, Scheduled 26 Third Month 2017

Follow with St. Petersburg MM will continue after the Playback Theatre event, 16 First Month 2017. (See Living Mirror Playback Theatre below.)

## Yearly Meeting Planning

I'm planning to provide a workshop session at Yearly Meeting. This will be in addition to planning an event with the Youth Coordinator(s). I also plan to contact Peterson Toscano during First Month 2017 to see if we can coordinate schedules to travel with Peter "...connecting with Friends in SEYM, both before and after the 2017 Gathering, to talk about how we can work together for climate justice."



## Contact Information

- The SEYM Administrative Secretary established an email account: [fsEarthcare@seymquaker.org](mailto:fsEarthcare@seymquaker.org).
- A free conference calling number has been established, 1-712-770-8055. The conference code is 662814.
- I Skype as phdant.
- I Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/7545638812>.
- My telephone number is 813.928.8823.
- Snailmail: 13705 Lazy Oak Drive, Tampa, FL, 33613.4923.

## Interactions or Collaborations between and among other SEYM committees

- The Ministry on Racism: Shared information on Florida Council of Churches (FCC) Reform Justice Campaign;
- Earthcare: continue to maintain telephone and email contact with the co-clerks and other committee members;
- FCC: See the FCC Report for Winter Interim Business Meeting 2017
- Peace and Social Concerns: Email and face-to-face contact with members of SEYM Peace and Social Concerns Committee.
- ProNica: no report to date.
- Quaker Earthcare Witness (QEW): Working with Jack Braden on the United Nations Working Group (UNWG) on the International Decade for People of African Descent. (More details below.)
- Quaker United Nations Office: Working with Warren Hoskins to build links.
- Right Sharing of World Resources: Working with Nilufer Wilkins to build links, including QEW UNWG.
- Youth Committee: Talk at HYM and planning with Youth Coordinator(s) for Yearly Meeting.

## The Wider Quaker World, Interfaith Groups, Other Environmental Organizations

In the wider Quaker World, interfaith groups, and other environmental organizations, I have listed existing memberships, partnerships, or collaborations that may be part of an outreach effort. These include, but are not limited to:

- Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP), Tampa Bay: AVP Basic Workshop facilitation 21 through 23 Tenth Month. Planning for a Gainesville workshop has been postponed. We are looking to provide another workshop in Jacksonville for the same period, 3 through 5 Third Month 2017.
- The Bridge of Tampa: Invited by The Bridge to participate as a panelist in a daylong community exploration, "The Heart of Activism." Tampa MM is a co-sponsor of the event.
- Clark Atlanta University, Department of Political Science: Asked to be a member of the team for an Environmental Protection Agency Small grant as part of People Against D.O.T. Discrimination (PADD); see below.
- Florida Interfaith Climate Action Network (FL-ICAN): Third Annual FL-ICAN Assembly will convene 23 through 25 Second Month 2017 in Orlando. I am member of the Assembly Design Team. And, also have created an SEYM subcircle through the online platform, Qiqochat, <http://seymquakers.qiqochat.com/>.
- Friends Committee on National Legislation, Energy and Environment: Have email and other contacts established with several FCNL staff including and beyond the Energy and Environment Section. Have meeting scheduled with several FCNL staff members on 10 First Month 2017.
- Friends Peace Teams (FPT): Face-to-face and email contact with FPT. Will seek to link FPT to QEW UN Working Group. (See below.)
- The Initiative on Coastal Adaptation and Resilience (ICAR): Working with ICAR through the Florida Council of Churches.
- Living Mirror Playback Theatre, Tampa: No report other than performances to date. Will participate in the annual St. Petersburg MM Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. event, 16 First Month 2017 as a member of the troupe.
- National Academies of Sciences, Transportation Research Board (TRB), Environmental Justice Issues in Transportation (The FSE is the Research Coordinator for this committee.): Have been asked to provide a presentation on the Tampa Bay Express and environmental justice issues at the annual meeting of the committee. This presentation will be the basis for a "blog" First Month 2017.

- Organize NOW/F.I.R.E., Climate Justice Committee: Working with FCC, Sierra Club and others on planning climate justice survey.
- The Pachamama Alliance: several email contacts with local members of the Alliance.
- People Against D.O.T. Discrimination (PADD), Tampa: continue to work with group on identifying potentially adverse impacts and finding ways to avoid, mitigate, or minimize the same.
- QEW United Nations Working Group (UNWG) member – International Decade for People of African Descent: Continue to assist in planning for 2017 activities. Linking the Working Group with wider Quaker Community and other groups. Added to the QEW Steering Committee as a Member-at-Large.
- Sierra Club, Tampa Bay: Remain in contact via email, snailmail, etc. Added to the Sierra Club Speakers’ Bureau. Planned presentation at Hillsborough County Community College, Science Seminar, 31 First Month 2017.
- Society for Applied Anthropology, Risk and Disasters Topical Interest Group (TIG): No report to date. Seeking to link TIG to QEW UN Working Group.
- Sunshine Citizens, Tampa: part of the outreach effort with P.A.D.D.
- University of South Florida, Institute on Black Life (IBL), Advisory Committee: Continue to participate in activities for 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 9 Second Month 2017, including submitting an abstract for a paper on food sovereignty and people of African Descent by 15 Twelfth Month 2016. The paper will build on the framework proposed by QEW UNWG regarding the 2017 focus for UN activities.
- University of South Florida, Patel College of Global Sustainability (PCGS): The proposed lecture “Urban Displacement in Major Public Works Projects”, has been postponed until Fall 2017. Continue to have contact with PCGS staff.

### **Social Media**

Submitted two blogs, fsEarthcare Processing, for the SEYM website. The SEYM Administrative Secretary also has created a webpage, <http://seymquakers.org/faith-in-action/field-secretary-for-earthcare/>. Currently, the page contains the blog, the job description, and other links. I am in contact with the secretary on how best to populate this page, e.g., calendars, social media, etc. I tweet @fseseecretary; FB, <fb.me/FsEarthcare>. These links are included the signature of my emails.

### **Qiqochat**

The Qiqochat subcircle for SEYM, <http://seymquakers.qiqochat.com/>. In addition to a communication platform, this site also can be a repository of documents, e.g., white papers, presentations, etc. I am in the process of populating the circle.

### **Other Issues**

I am working on white paper regarding vulnerable populations paper and the potential impacts of climate change for the counties and other areas of the Monthly Meetings, Worship Groups, etc., of SEYM, including Managua and Havana, where data is available. The focus has been intensified with consideration of the impacts of the Sabal Trail Pipeline Transmission. In addition to the Sabal Trail Pipeline, the potential impacts of the Florida Southeast Connection Pipeline, <http://www.floridasoutheastconnection.com/>, will be added.

Ongoing contact regarding the pipelines and related concerns has been maintained with Peter Ackerman, Lake Worth Monthly Meeting, and Panagioti Tsolkas who co-led sessions at the 2016 Yearly Meeting. Both Pete and Panagioti have been actively in actions regarding the Sabal Trail Pipeline.

### **Summary**

Friends, I mentioned in the overview, I continue to be encouraged. The support I have received from so many of you is greatly appreciated. Continue to share your ideas, concerns, contacts, etc. But, most of all, continue to hold me in the Light!

----Beverly Ward

# Friends General Conference (FGC) Representatives Report

Friends General Conference (FGC) Central Committee will meet in sessions October 26-29 at the Pearlstone Center, Reisterstown, Maryland. Comprised of FGC Officers and Yearly Meeting representatives, The Central Committee is a three-day, Spirit-led discernment on the best way to carry out its Quaker mission in the coming year.

Ed Lesnick (Orlando) is SEYM's representative to Executive Committee and a member of FGC Communications Committee. Kay Lesnick (Orlando) is a member of the FGC Christian and Interfaith Relations Committee. Gerry O'Sullivan (Miami) is the third representative. Also invited by FGC to Central Committee is Susan Taylor (Tallahassee). Susan has been coopted by Central Committee to serve on the FGC Nominations Committee. SEYM's three designated representatives will participate in plenary sessions and committee meetings. Your representatives are grateful to be engaged in this important work on behalf of southeastern Quakers and Friends throughout North America.

A report on the Central Committee proceedings will appear in the Documents In Advance and at the Winter Interim Business Meeting in January 2018.

An update on the Institutional Assessment from the FGC Executive Committee Meeting, May 5-7, Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

"We have received contributions and pledges to the assessment of \$58,000. This is near the goal of \$60,000 that was set at Central Committee.

We have agreed that the Institutional Assessment needs to be funded in ways that do not create an impact on our budget. We have been collecting money toward the goal of funding [the project].

There are two kinds of costs for any project: the cost of the project itself, and the cost of staff time spent on this project that would be spent in other ways if this project did not exist. Including all relevant staff time, the actual cost of the project is likely to be closer to \$75,000. The cost above our regular budget is likely to be about \$64,000, and this is the amount we will continue seeking new donations to cover."

---submitted by Ed Lesnick