

Southeastern Yearly Meeting
of the Religious Society of Friends
Winter Interim Business Meeting 2022
15 First Month 2022

NUMBERED MINUTES

- 22WIBM01 Worship and Ministry would like to express great appreciation to the computer experts, planners, organizers and attenders who have made WIBM possible, without the least of us we could not be who and what we want to be. We especially thank Susan Wade for acting as Recording Clerk in addition to all of her other responsibilities.
- 22WIBM02 Friends approve Bill Carlie serving as clerk after the mid-meeting break for the remainder of this meeting.
- 22WIBM03 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, recognizing the injustice of the proposed Florida HB 211 in denying transgender children medical care, calls on our Florida state representatives and senators as well as Governor DeSantis not to support this bill. SEYM encourages all monthly meetings and worship group members and attenders to contact their legislators and the Governor to voice their opposition to this bill.
- 22WIBM04 SEYM reaffirms its support for the Immokalee Workers and their families. During this difficult time as the Covid pandemic has ravaged many communities it is important that we be especially aware of the needs of these families. We are grateful for the many whose hard work brings food to our tables.
- 22WIBM05 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, meeting as Winter Interim Business Meeting, approves adding a line item to the budget for a recurring annual donation to the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition of a minimum of \$300.00 with the hope of increasing that amount in the future. This donation is a beginning acknowledgement of the Quaker role in being among the strongest supporters of the federal policy that called for the forced assimilation of Indian children through the operation of some 30 Quaker Indian boarding schools. Southeastern Yearly Meeting seeks to form a relationship with the Coalition to understand from them what additional support Friends can give. We encourage all Quaker meetings around our country to become familiar with the organization and its highly effective work in healing the ongoing trauma caused by the schools. (<https://boardingschoolhealing.org>): National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition website.

<https://vimeo.com/192219802/376f2f1ddb> or <https://friendspeacetteams.org/trr/>
Paula Palmer has created a compelling audio-visual presentation outlining Quaker involvement in operating Indian boarding schools. Using photographs and documents from her research, and the voices of teachers, administrators, and Native children. Paula awakens and informs hearts and minds to the intergenerational harms Quakers caused by their involvement in this 'civilizing' Enterprise.

— John Meyer, Pendle Hill Quaker Conference Center