

Southeastern Yearly Meeting *of the Religious Society of Friends*

Yearly Business Meeting 2018

MINUTES

Third Month, 28th Day to Fourth Month First Day, 2018

First Plenary Session • Fifth Day, Third Month, Day 29, 2018 – 4:15 p.m.

Friends gathered and settled into worshipful, attentive silence to begin the first plenary session.

Seated at the Clerk's table for this and subsequent sessions were Bill Carlie, (Orlando MM), SEYM clerk; Nancy Corindia (Sarasota MM) assistant clerk; and Jan Dahm and Lisa Erasmus, (Tampa MM), recording co-clerks.

Assistant clerk read from the following: "Many times I have found my way home in the dark, because my feet felt the road, when my eyes could not see it. There is something in us, deeper than hands or feet, that finds the way to the Central Reality, and when we arrive we know it." *Rufus Jones*

Clerk opened from out of the silence with greetings of welcome.

Clerk thanked the Nominating Committee for giving him this opportunity to serve as clerk of SEYM. He reflected on the question of how we can use the experience of doing business together to grow as a community. He shared from Faith and Practice from the section on The Meeting for Business: *"The quality of interaction among the Friends present at a meeting for business is as important as the matters on the agenda. The goal of meeting for business lies in its contribution to the growth of the blessed community"* (p.112).

The Roll Call of Meetings and Worship Groups with Milestones was taken. A list of registrants for YM 2018 appears at the end of these minutes.

Clearwater MM

Rick Brice
Mike Flanery

Ft. Myers MM

Nancy Howell
Richard Frechette

Gainesville MM

Jean Larsen
Cheryl Demers-Holton

GulfCoast WG

Nancyrose Logan
David Rakyta

Jacksonville MM

Elaine Martin
Willie Hager
Michael Shell
Wendy Clarissa Geiger

LakeWales WG

Caroline Lanker

Miami MM

Kathy Hersh
Carl Hersh
Eduardo Diaz

Clara Diaz

Brad Stocker
Gerry O'Sullivan
Teresa Campos
Tom Scholl
Sansy Vasquez Scholl
Vincent Cosomano

Orlando MM

Vicki Carlie
Bill Carlie
Minerva Glidden
Ed Lesnick
Kay Lesnick
Ann Jerome
Greg Allen-Anderson

Palm Beach MM

Joel Cook
Ellie Caldwell
Jack Bradin

St. Petersburg MM

Dan Strebig
Carol Strebig
Lyn Carol Henderson

Sarasota MM

Nancy Corindia
Tom Corindia
Nancyrose Logan
David Rakyta

Tallahassee MM

Bob Allenson
Phoebe Andersen
Neil Andersen
Susan Taylor
Angee Prather
Herman Holley

Tampa MM

Jan Dahm
Lisa Erasmus
Beverly Ward
CeceYocum
Karen Putney
Caroline Lanker

Treasure Coast WG

Joel Cook
Betsy Meyer
Jack Bradin

FGC Representative: Joyce Ketterer

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting – Haverford Monthly Meeting: Elizabeth Croce

Olympia Monthly Meeting, North Pacific YM: eric maya joy

The following milestones were reported:

Lake Wales WG: Nancy and Dudley Fennell moved to Lake Wales WG

Miami MM: John Stevens and Myrtle Burke passed; transfer of Holly Iglesias from Mount Tabor MM to Miami MM; Sansy Vasquez-Scholl and Thomas Scholl are new attenders.

Tampa MM: Four new members were added: Roy Yerrakadu, Rose Yerrakadu, Deborah Breeden, and Vincent Cobb. Longtime dear friend and attender of Tampa MM, Barbara Nicholson, died 11th Month 2017.

Clerk read a letter of introduction for Beth Gorton traveling from New England Yearly Meeting, Quaker City Unity Friends Meeting.

Clerk read a letter of introduction for *eric maya joy* from Olympia Monthly Meeting, North Pacific YM. This Friend carries the concern of unity with nature.

The Assistant clerk made the general announcements: The Healing Center in the conference room in Building 3 will be open from 1-5 pm sixth and seventh day; The Enrichment Center reminds Friends that smoking and vaping be limited to outdoor areas a reasonable distance from the buildings; the campfire scheduled for Sixth Day evening may be rescheduled if there is no rain prior to the time or if it rains at the scheduled time; visit the publications table for publications; two-pocket name badge holders are available for purchase.

Clerk asked for Friends to consider serving on the Ad hoc committee for the SEYM Epistle. Please see the clerk at dinner or elsewhere if you are interested.

Kathy Hersh (Miami MM), clerk of Nominating Committee gave the preliminary report from Nominating Committee (in Documents in Advance). The names of those who are being brought forward to fill various positions were read. Most of these are in DIA. The body accepted the preliminary report with gratitude.

This session closed with silent worship.



Second Plenary Session • Fifth Day, Third Month, Day 29, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

Friends gathered and settled into worshipful, attentive silence to begin the second plenary session.

Assistant Clerk made the following announcements: There will be a five-minute EC meeting at the clerk's table at the rise of the second plenary session.

Clerk read a letter of introduction for Joyce Ketterer (Brooklyn MM, New York Yearly Meeting) as a visitor from Friends General Conference.

Phoebe Andersen (Tallahassee MM), EC and Interim Business Meeting Clerk, presented the 2017-2018 **Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**.

Summer Executive Committee Meeting 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:

The following individuals shall be removed as signatories from these accounts: Lyn Cope, Caroline Lanker, and Ann Jerome.

The following individuals shall be added as signatories on these accounts: Joel Cook (SEYM Treasurer).

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.

Fall Executive Committee Meeting Minutes:

17FEC01 Friends approved Bill Carlie serving as interim EC clerk.

17FEC02 The Secretary's Report was accepted.

17FEC03 Friends accepted the FYE 2016-2017 and 1st Quarter FY2017-2018 Treasurer's reports.

17FEC04 Friends offered a special Thanks to Neil, Joel & Dianne for finishing the financial reports; working through the hurricane aftermath and other challenges and disruptions this summer.

17FEC05 Friends offered heartfelt thanks to Bill Carlie for his assistance to ProNica in their transition and restructuring.

Winter Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

18WEC01 SEYM Executive Committee approves extending the Faith and Practice Committee sabbatical until the 2019 Yearly Meeting sessions.

Yearly Meeting Executive Committee Meeting Minutes:

18YMEC01 SEYM Executive Committee and the Earthcare Committee will evaluate the Field Secretary for Earthcare Program per 15YBM07 at the June 2018 Executive Committee Meeting.

18YM01 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the Numbered Minutes of the 2017 Summer Executive Committee, Fall Interim Business Executive Committee, 2018 Winter Interim Business Executive Committee and the Yearly Meeting Executive Committee Meetings.

Phoebe Andersen (Tallahassee MM), Executive Committee and Interim Business Meeting Clerk, presented the **2017-2018 Interim Business Meeting Minutes**.

Fall Interim Business Meeting:

17FIBM01 Friends approve the nomination of Phoebe Andersen, Tallahassee Meeting, for the position of EC & IBM Clerk, to fill the position left vacant when Lisa Stewart moved to NY. The term will end at rise of YM 2018.

17FIBM02 Friends accept the Memorial Minute for Cathy Gaskill, which will be recorded in these minutes.

17FIBM03 Friends approve the nomination of Catherine Price (St. Petersburg MM and Lake Wales WG) to be an SEYM Representative to FCNL.

17FIBM04 Friends accept the Nominating Committee report.

17FIBM05 Friends accept the Worship & Ministry Committee report.

17FIBM06 Friends approve the June and Fall Executive Committee minutes.

17FIBM07 Friends approve the outgoing Treasurer's Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

17FIBM08 Friends accept the Treasurer's Report for the First Quarter of Fiscal Year 2017-2018, with thanks.

17FIBM09 Friends accept the Youth Committee report.

17FIBM10 Friends accept the Gathering Committee Report, with thanks.

17FIBM11 Friends accept the Peace & Social Concerns Committee report, with thanks.

17FIBM12 The Ministry on Racism Committee Report in the Documents in Advance is accepted.

17FIBM13 Friends accept the Earthcare Committee Report. We thank the committee, Brad Stocker, Beverly Ward, and Quaker Earthcare Witness.

17FIBM14 Friends accept the Field Secretary for Earthcare report, with thanks.

17FIBM15 Friends accept the ProNica report. We expressed gratitude for the resolution of ProNica's recent difficulties and thank ProNica stateside for their efforts.

17FIBM16 Friends accept the reports from our Representatives to Friends Peace Teams, FWCC, FCNL, and Quaker House, with our gratitude.

17FIBM17 Friends enthusiastically thank Sarasota Friends for their wonderful hospitality and great food.

17FIBM18 Friends thank the Administrative Secretary for her efforts in serving as substitute Recording Clerk for Executive Committee and Interim Business Meeting.

Winter Interim Business Meeting:

18WIBM01 SEYM of the Religious Society of Friends requires leaders of SEYM sponsored youth activities to be SEYM Child Abuse Prevention Program (CAPP) registered. SEYM liability insurance ONLY covers SEYM-sponsored events and youth activities. SEYM CAPP registered training may take place at any location approved by SEYM. If a monthly meeting sponsors a youth activity with SEYM CAPP registered leaders, it must have its own sexual misconduct liability insurance.

18WIBM02 SEYM of the Religious Society of Friends agrees that training for the Child Abuse Prevention Program (CAPP) may be provided at monthly meeting locations within SEYM provided that (1) all required individual paperwork, including background checks, is processed through the Yearly Meeting office before the training occurs; (2) the trainer is an SEYM-registered and designated CAPP trainer; and (3) the monthly meeting holds sexual misconduct liability insurance.

18WIBM03 SEYM of the Religious Society of Friends authorizes the Treasurer to disperse funds in the amount \$5,000.00 payable to Friends Peace Teams (FPT) and earmarked for the Peacebuilding en las Américas (PLA) Coordinator position. The purpose is to provide urgently needed money to support the work

of the FPT-PLA Coordinator. These funds may be taken from the general funds available to SEYM in the most timely manner possible.

18YM02 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the Numbered Minutes of the 2017 Fall Interim Business Meeting and 2018 Winter Interim Business Meeting.

First Reading of Action Minutes from SEYM Committees and Representatives.

Mira Tanna (Orlando MM), clerk of the **Youth Committee**, brought forward a proposal regarding a part-time volunteer position as SEYM Youth and Young Adult Coordinator. The proposal will be brought back to the body after further seasoning. Copies of the job description were disseminated and attached to these minutes. The Treasurer and Finance Committee will work with the Youth Committee to craft a minute to bring back to the body for approval.

Kathy Hersh (Miami MM) brought forward a proposal for the Yearly Meeting to discern a minute of support against gun violence. Information was shared that between ten and twelve monthly meetings of SEYM have joined the Florida Coalition to Prevent Gun Violence. Friends expressed support for such a minute to be written. An ad hoc committee, convened by Phoebe Andersen, will be formed to work on crafting this minute.

18YM03 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the creation of an ad hoc committee, convened by Phoebe Andersen, to create a minute regarding SEYM's position against gun violence.

In addition, Friends expressed their wish to join the Florida Coalition to Prevent Gun Violence with the following minute:

18YM04 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves SEYM joining the Florida Coalition to Prevent Gun Violence.

The numbered minutes for this plenary session were read with the following approved:

18YM01 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the Numbered Minutes of the 2017 Summer Executive Committee, Fall Interim Business Executive Committee, 2018 Winter Interim Business Executive Committee and the Yearly Meeting Executive Committee Meetings.

18YM02 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the Numbered Minutes of the 2017 Fall Interim Business Meeting and 2018 Winter Interim Business Meeting.

18YM03 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the creation of an ad hoc committee, convened by Phoebe Andersen, to create a minute regarding SEYM's position against gun violence.

18YM04 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves SEYM joining the Florida Coalition to Prevent Gun Violence.

This session closed with silent worship.



Third Plenary Session • Sixth Day, Third Month, Day 30, 2018 – 10:00 a.m.

Friends gathered and settled into worshipful, attentive silence to begin the third plenary session.

Clerk welcomed Friends and visitors not previously introduced.

Assistant clerk read the following: "One of the most calming and powerful actions you can do to intervene in a stormy world, is to stand up and show your soul. Struggling souls, catch light from other souls who are fully lit and willing to show it." *Clarissa Pinkola Estes*

Assistant clerk announced that the Healing Center in the conference room in Building 3 will be open Sixth and Seventh Day from 1-5 pm; the campfire scheduled for Sixth Day is postponed to Seventh Day due to impending rain.

eric maya joy briefly spoke about various visual and text resources available to explore spirituality and connection with nature and clarifying spiritual unification.

Clerk asked for Friends to volunteer to form an Epistle Committee.

Joel Cook (Treasure Coast WG) gave the **Treasurer's report** (included in Documents in Advance).

18YM05 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends accepted the Treasurer's Report as provided and explained in the report.

Peter Schmidt (Tampa MM) presented the first reading of the 2018-2019 budget. A revised version of the budget from the Documents in Advance was disseminated for the body's perusal.

18YM06 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the Finance Committee engaging the services of a professional accounting firm to conduct a review of the SEYM financial statements, policies, procedures, and controls for a fee of up to \$4000.

Clara Diaz (Miami MM) gave the Worship and Ministry Committee report (attached). The following minute of gratitude was brought forward for the body's approval:

18YM07 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses deep appreciation for the ten plus years of loving ministry provided by Wendy Clarissa Geiger for co-clerking the Worship and Ministry committee and for the spiritual nurture of our Yearly Meeting.

Cece Yocum (Tampa MM) gave the **Peace and Social Concerns Committee report**. Friends were encouraged to engage with legislators and make a more visible witness in all concerns. Combining and coordinating efforts results in a stronger witness. Other concerns discussed in committee were as follows: FCNL advocacy, mass incarceration, the Listening Project, and use of communications platforms to promote visibility and disseminate information.

Cece Yocum (Tampa MM) gave the **Friends Peace Teams and Peacebuilding en las Americas report** (included in Documents in Advance).

Warren Hoskins (Miami MM) gave the report from the **Historic Peace Churches** (attached). Due to various circumstances preventing continuation of this great work, the Historic Peace Churches work is to be laid down at this time.

18YM08 In anticipation of the laying down of the Historic Peace Churches Program, Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves laying down of our representation to the Historic Peace Churches program.

18YM09 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses gratitude for Warren Hoskins' faithful witness within the Historic Peace Churches program and bringing a presence of Friends to that work.

Susan Taylor (Tallahassee MM) gave the Ministry on Racism report (included in Documents in Advance and updated version attached to these minutes).

The numbered minutes for this plenary session were read with the following approved:

18YM05 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends accepted the Treasurer’s Report as provided and explained in the report.

18YM06 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves Southeastern Yearly Meeting engaging the services of a professional accounting firm to conduct a review of the SEYM financial statements, policies, procedures, and controls for a fee of up to \$4000.

18YM07 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses deep appreciation for the ten plus years of loving ministry provided by Wendy Clarissa Geiger for co-clerking the Worship and Ministry committee and for the spiritual nurture of our Yearly Meeting.

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18YM09 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses gratitude for Warren Hoskins’ faithful witness within the Historic Peace Churches program and bringing a presence of Friends to that work.

The session closed with silent worship.



Fourth Plenary Session • Sixth Day, 3rd Month, Day 30, 2018 – 1:15 p.m.

Friends gathered and settled into worshipful, attentive silence to begin the fourth plenary session.

Clerk welcomed Friends and visitors not previously introduced.

Assistant clerk read the following: "Our life is love, and peace, and tenderness; and bearing one with another, and forgiving one and another, and not laying accusations one against another; but praying one for another, and helping one another up with a tender hand..." *Isaac Penington*

Assistant clerk made general announcements: The Faith and No Practice Band will have a technical practice Sixth Day at 4 pm; the campfire will be Seventh Day evening behind the camping pavilion; the Healing Center in the conference room in Building 3 will be open Sixth and Seventh Day from 1-5 pm.

Sara Humphrey (Gainesville MM) gave the **FLGBTQC report** (attached).

Caroline Lanker (Tampa MM/Lake Wales WG) gave the **ProNica report** (included in Documents in Advance) along with a further update of the current status of ProNica.

Clara and Eduardo Diaz (Miami MM) and Nancyrose Logan (Sarasota MM/Gulf Coast WG) gave the **Friends World Committee for Consultation (FWCC) report** in which they encouraged Friends to invite FWCC Traveling Ministers to visit their Meetings. Travel is covered by FWCC and the Meeting would only need to provide housing and meals and give a review after the visit. FWCC continues to promote relationships among a diversity of Friends.

Gerry O’Sullivan (Miami MM) and Joyce Ketterer (FGC Representative) gave the report on **Friends General Conference (FGC)** (included in Documents in Advance).

Elaine Martin (Jacksonville MM) asked Friends to read the **Quaker House report** (included in Documents in Advance) and to visit the display table to get more information about Quaker House.

Beverly Ward (Tampa MM) gave the **Florida Council of Churches report** (included in Documents in Advance). An update was given that the FCC will convene the Florida Interfaith Climate Action Network Fourth Assembly in Orlando, June 29-30, 2018 at the Dr. J.B. Callahan Neighborhood Center, 101 N. Parramore Ave., Orlando, FL 32801.

Karen Putney (Tampa MM) gave the **Friends Committee for National Legislation (FCNL) report** (included in Documents in Advance). A video was shown honoring the historical accomplishments of FCNL over the past 75 years and its current strategies and goals outlining a vision of advocacy and change. Friends were encouraged to bring questions to any of the FCNL representatives at Yearly Meeting.

Anyango Reggy (AFSC Associate Regional Director) gave the **American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) report** (attached).

All of the above Committee Reports were accepted by the YM body.

The session closed with silent worship.



Fifth Plenary Session • Seventh Day, Third Month, Day 31, 2018 – 1:15 p.m.

Friends gathered and settled into worshipful, attentive silence to begin the fifth plenary session.

Assistant clerk read the following: "We have a long, long way to go, so let us hasten along the road, the roads of human tenderness and generosity. Groping, we may find one another's hands in the dark." *Emily Greene Balch*

Clerk welcomed Friends and visitors not previously introduced.

The second reading of the budget was presented by Peter Schmidt (Tampa MM), Finance Committee Clerk. He described the changes and recommendations from the first reading which had been made to the final draft (attached).

The following minute was brought forward for approval:

18YM10 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the 2018-2019 budget as presented by the Finance Committee in the second reading..

Phoebe Andersen (Tallahassee MM) brought forward the **minute on stopping gun violence** that was crafted out of the discernment of the ad hoc committee established during the second plenary session. Questions and suggestions for modifications were made and the committee will bring a revised minute to the sixth plenary for the final reading and approval by the body.

Jack Bradin (Palm Beach MM) gave the **Trustees report** (as below).

The funds of Southeastern Yearly Meeting which are under the care of the Trustees gained value this year after two years of market-driven losses.

There are six Funds with only one being unrestricted.

The dividend income derived from the Funds is used to support the activities of Southeastern Yearly Meeting.

The Bertsche Outreach Travel Fund dividends provided \$1,754 in support for individuals traveling on behalf of the yearly meeting in the 2017-2018 budget year.

The Michener Lecture Fund dividends provided \$841 in support for the 2018 Michener Lecture held in January in Orlando.

The Walton Lecture and Gathering Fund dividends provided \$1,554 in support for the 2018 Walton Lecture held at the annual Gathering (SEYM).

The YM Gathering Youth Endowment Fund dividends provided \$4,012 in support for all of our youth who attended the 2018 Southeastern Yearly Meeting Annual Gathering.

The Secretary's Salary Fund dividends provided \$4,088 for staff salaries (Administrative Secretary and Bookkeeper) in the 2017-2018 budget year, and a similar amount for the 2016-2017 year.

The trustees provided \$5,000 for support of the second year for the Southeastern Yearly Meeting Field Secretary for Earthcare in 2017-2018.

The Trustees are ready to entertain a proposal from the Southeastern Yearly Meeting Youth Committee for partial support for 3 years for a proposed Youth Coordinator position.

Respectfully Submitted for the Committee.

The Trustee's report was accepted by the Yearly Meeting body.

Beverly Ward (Tampa MM) gave a report on her work as the **Field Secretary for Earthcare** (report included in the Documents in Advance). Friends accepted the Field Secretary for Earthcare report.

Brad Stocker (Miami MM) gave the **Committee for Earthcare report** (attached).

Brad Stocker (Miami MM) gave the **Quaker Earthcare Witness (QEW) report** (attached).

Both of these reports were accepted by the Yearly Meeting body.

Mira Tanna (Orlando MM) and Vincent Cosomano (Miami MM) gave the **Youth Committee report** (in Documents in Advance). The Youth Committee report was accepted by the Yearly Meeting body. The following minute regarding the Youth and Young Adult Coordinator position was brought forward and approved by the Yearly Meeting body:

18YM11 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the establishment of a Youth and Young Adult Coordinator position as proposed in the Youth Committee report with financial details to be discerned by the Finance Committee, Trustees, and Youth Committee at Executive Committee meeting Sixth Month 2018.

Warren Hoskins gave the Quaker United Nations Office (QUNO) report (attached). The QUNO report was accepted by the Yearly Meeting body. A request for an increase in funding for QUNO will be brought forward to the Finance Committee by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee at FIBM 2018.

The numbered minutes for this session were read to the body with the following approved:

18YM10 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the 2018-2019 budget as presented by the Finance Committee in the second reading.

18YM11 - Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the establishment of a Youth and Young Adult Coordinator position as proposed in the Youth Committee report with financial details to be discerned by the Finance Committee, Trustees, and Youth Committee at Executive Committee meeting Sixth Month 2018.

The session closed with silent worship.



Sixth Plenary Session • First Day, Fourth Month, Day 1, 2018 – 9:00 a.m.

Friends gathered and settled into worshipful, attentive silence to begin the sixth plenary session.

Assistant clerk read the following from Luke 10:38-42, New International Version:

[At the home of Martha and Mary]

As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him.

She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.

But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made.

She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "You are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better way, and it will not be taken away from her."

Phoebe Andersen brought forward the **Minute on Stopping Gun Violence** for the second reading. After Friends offered some final revisions, the following minute was approved:

18YM12 SEYM Minute on Stopping Gun Violence

Friends (Quakers) have a vision of humankind drawing together in mutual care, including reconciliation addressing both the safety of the victims of violent acts and the unmet needs of perpetrators of those violent acts. We are committed to healing and raising our children. To this end, we demand that our government, school systems, and all adults in our children's lives take steps to face the root causes of violence in our society. As Quakers, we support the youth in their vision of a world without a ubiquitous background of violence, a world where people learn how to express feelings of anger and pain constructively. This is an issue to unite us in protection of the children and all the people we love. We urge the passage of several pieces of legislation that will make a beneficial difference for all Americans:

Nationally:

- Require universal background checks on every gun purchase.
- Implement a ban on all high-capacity ammunition magazines and military grade semi-automatic weapons.
- Reinstatement of the assault weapons ban or institute strict licensing similar to the National Firearms Act of 1934 (PL 73-474).
- Repeal of the "Dickey Amendment", to allow federal health agencies to conduct research into the causes, effects, and evidence-based prevention of gun violence in our communities, and provide funds for this work through Congressional action.

In Florida:

- Repeal Chapter 790.33 of Title 46 of the 2017 Florida Statutes "Field of Regulation of Firearms and Ammunition Preempted", which now prohibits local governments in Florida (Municipalities, Counties, Cities, etc.) from making any regulations more restrictive than the State laws to control guns or ammunition. Local governments should be able to pass their own regulations to ensure the safety of their residents and children.

In a larger context, we share distress at the degree to which American culture accepts, uses, and relies on violence by individuals and groups to solve interpersonal and societal conflicts.

We ally ourselves with the victims of such violence and with their sense of urgency in seeking reforms through non-violent means.

We affirm our belief, faith, and experience in the power of love, respect, tolerance and friendship as bases for living together with those around us, in family, community, societal and global relationships.

We intend to share this Minute with all people in Southeastern Yearly Meeting and all other Yearly Meetings in the USA, as well as our legislators and the students of Marjorie Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. We encourage Friends to share this concern widely within their communities, to take action and start collaborating. Let us be open to whatever meaningful work our hearts are led to do.

18YM13 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends appreciates the faithful work of the ad hoc committee in crafting the minute on stopping gun violence and for listening so carefully to the concerns of our body.

Kathy Hersh (Miami MM), clerk of **Nominating Committee**, gave the Second Reading of the new positions being filled as well as the full Nominating Committee report (attached).

18YM14 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the Nominating Committee's second reading of the Nominating Committee Report. Friends express deep gratitude for the faithful work of this committee in listening and responding to the Spirit.

Richard Frechette (Fort Myers MM) gave the **Gathering Committee report** (attached). Some additional information about gathering includes the age span of participants: Kian Morgan the youngest who just turned six to Jack McGregor, the oldest, at 87. Friends were asked to encourage attendance from their Monthly Meetings at the next Gathering 17 - 21 of Fourth Month. The speakers for the 2019 Walton Lecture are Lucy Duncan and Noah White who will speak on the topic of *Achieving Equality*. The report was gratefully accepted by the Yearly Meeting body.

18YM15 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends express gratitude for the diligence and care provided by Richard Frechette, Andrea Hoskins, Stephanie Preston, and Gerry O'Sullivan to ensure our annual gathering met the needs and fed the spirits of the Yearly Meeting body.

The following minute was brought forward for approval by the Yearly Meeting body:

18YM16 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends publicly repudiates the Doctrine of Discovery and supports the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Karen Putney (Tampa MM) read the **YM Epistle** (attached) for the Gathering Epistle Committee. Clerk expressed gratitude to Karen Putney and Joel Cook for their work.

18YM17 Friends approved with deep appreciation the 2018 SEYM epistle, which captured the Spirit of our Gathering. It will be posted on the SEYM website and distributed widely among Friends.

The following minutes of appreciation were brought forward and approved by the Yearly Meeting body:

18YM18 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses deep gratitude to Lisa Erazmus and Jan Dahm for their six years of faithful, prayerful service as our co-recording clerks.

18YM19 Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses their sincere thanks to the staff, volunteers, and the director of the Florida United Methodist Life Enrichment Center for their diligent efforts that make our time together so rewarding and comfortable.

Aurelio Anderson and Sara Humphrey read the **epistle for the Young Adult Friends** (attached).

Teen Friends, Vincent Cosomano, and Kiran Nwakanma read their epistle (attached).

Young and Wee Friends presented their epistle. The epistle as read to Friends (attached) was received with joy and gratitude.

The gathered body received these epistles and accepted them with gratitude and the following minute:

18YM20 **Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends accepted with joy the SEYM youth program and Young Adult Quaker (YAQ) epistles. These will be posted on the SEYM website and distributed to “Friends Everywhere.”**

The numbered minutes for this session were read to the body with the following approved:

18YM12 **SEYM Minute on Stopping Gun Violence**

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In Florida:

- **Repeal Chapter 790.33 of Title 46 of the 2017 Florida Statutes “Field of Regulation of Firearms and Ammunition Preempted”, which now prohibits local governments in Florida (Municipalities, Counties, Cities, etc.) from making any regulations more restrictive than the State laws to control guns or ammunition. Local governments should be able to pass their own regulations to ensure the safety of their residents and children.**

In a larger context, we share distress at the degree to which American culture accepts, uses, and relies on violence by individuals and groups to solve interpersonal and societal conflicts. We ally ourselves with the victims of such violence and with their sense of urgency in seeking reforms through non-violent means.

We affirm our belief, faith, and experience in the power of love, respect, tolerance and friendship as bases for living together with those around us, in family, community, societal and global relationships.

We intend to share this Minute with all people in Southeastern Yearly Meeting and all other Yearly Meetings in the USA, as well as our legislators and the students of Marjorie Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. We encourage Friends to share this concern widely within their communities, to take action and start collaborating. Let us be open to whatever meaningful work our hearts are led to do.

18YM13 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends appreciates the faithful work of the ad hoc committee in crafting the minute on stopping gun violence and for listening so carefully to the concerns of our body.

18YM14 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves the Nominating Committee’s second reading of the Nominating Committee Report. Friends express deep gratitude for the faithful work of this committee in listening and responding to the Spirit.

18YM15 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends express gratitude for the diligence and care provided by Richard Frechette, Andrea Hoskins, Stephanie Preston, and Gerry O’Sullivan to ensure our annual gathering met the needs and fed the spirits of the Yearly Meeting body.

18YM16 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends publicly repudiates the Doctrine of Discovery and supports the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

18YM17 – Friends approved with deep appreciation the 2018 SEYM epistle, which captured the Spirit of our Gathering. It will be posted on the SEYM website and distributed widely among Friends.

18YM18 - Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses deep gratitude to Lisa Erazmus and Jan Dahm for their six years of faithful, prayerful service as our co-recording clerks.

18YM19 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses their sincere thanks to the staff, volunteers, and the director of the Florida United Methodist Life Enrichment Center for their diligent efforts that make our time together so rewarding and comfortable.

18YM20 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends accepted with joy the SEYM youth program and Young Adult Quaker (YAQ) epistles. These will be posted on the SEYM website and distributed to “Friends Everywhere.”

Wendy Clarissa Geiger reflected on the upcoming 50th anniversary (April 4th) of the Martin Luther King, Jr. assassination.

Joel Cook led Friends in a session of Laughter Yoga.

The session closed with silent worship.



Yearly Meeting Registrants 2018

Clearwater MM

Rick Brice
Mike Flanery
Katie Green
Kathlene Harmon
Caroline Kaufmann
George Lord
Sandra Schwartz
Phil Stone
Eileen Zingaro

Fort Lauderdale MM

Brian Humphrey

Fort Myers MM

Richard Frechette
Nancy Howell
Chris Ruhne

Gainesville MM

Jen Ambrose
Gary Arthur
Hoyt Cotter
Cheryl Demers-Holton
Shawna Doran
Bronwyn Hall
Audrey Hall
Helen Hooley
Joshua Killingsworth
Jean Larson
Bonnie Zimmer

Jacksonville MM

Wendy Geiger
Elaine Martin
Willie Hager
Mike Shell

Lake Wales WG

Caroline Lanker
Bill Rapp

Miami MM

Tere Campo
Vincent Cosomano
Clara Diaz
Eduardo Diaz
Stephen Donachie
Carl Hersh
Kathy Hersh
Kody Hersh
Andrea Hoskins
Warren Hoskins
Brian Olson
Geraldine O'Sullivan
Sansy Scholl

Thomas Scholl
Brad Stocker
Jane Westberg

Orlando MM

Barry Allen-Anderson
Gregory Allen-Anderson
Bill Carlie
Vicki Carlie
Elizabeth Croce
Gary Evans
Minerva Glidden
Bruce Humphrey
Sara Humphrey
Rachel Humphrey
JJ Humphrey
Daniel Humphrey
Ann Jerome
John Margerum
Kate Joseph
Jerry Knutson
Chris Laning
Ed Lesnick
Kay Lesnick
Kiran Nwakanma
Priya Nwakanma
Mira Tanna

Palm Beach MM

Peter Ackerman
Jack Bradin
Ellie Caldwell
Caroline Chen
Sandra Heys
Jack McGregor

Saint Petersburg MM

Peter Crockett
Davida Johns
Lynn Carol Henderson
George Henderson
Dianne Langan
Francis Morgan
Carol Strebig
Dan Strebig

Sarasota MM

Nancy Corindia
Tom Corindia
Nancyrose Logan
David Rakyta
Cassie Mendoza
Jennifer Mendoza
Lena Mendoza

Tallahassee MM

Bob Allenson
Neil Andersen
Phoebe Andersen
Aurelio Anderson
Jim Crozier
Petra Doan
Liz Kamphausen-Doan
Herman Holley
Jim Meade
Angela Prather
Susan Taylor

Tampa MM

Deborah Breeden
Vincent Cobb
Jan Dahm
Lisa Erazmus
Caroline Lanker
Karen Putney
Peter Schmidt
Nancy Triscritti
Beverly Ward
Cece Yocum
John Heimburg

Treasure Coast WG

Joel Cook
Betsy Meyer

Visiting Friends

Daniel Booth (Boulder MM)
Diane Byington (Boulder MM)
Eric Joy (Olympia MM)
Alex Vallery (Haverford MM)
Lis-Marie Alvarado - AFSC
Mariana Martinez - AFSC
Richelle Ogle - AFSC
Anyango Reggy - AFSC
Joyce Ketterer - FGC
Beth Gorton (Quaker City)
Lynn Newsom (Bluffton WG)
Steve Newsom (Bluffton WG)

FLGBTQC 2018 Report

Friends for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Concerns

Dear SEYM Friends,

FLGBTQC Midwinter Gathering took place at Camp Young Judaea near Austin, Texas from February 16-19, 2018. The theme of this gathering was "Tis' a Gift to be Simple". Midwinter gathering reminded me strongly of SEYM, with a beautiful setting and a relaxed, worshipful mood. Throughout the day, Friends wandered the surrounding forests and watched herds of deer pass through the campgrounds.

This year's Midwinter Gathering concluded the (2017-2018) "Jubilee year", which was meant to help Friends rediscover our joy of working together. As part of the Jubilee year, the 2018 Midwinter Gathering was unprogrammed. During the 3-day gathering, there was a tour of a nearby state park, an intergenerational dance, a Cabaret/talent show, and several other activities meant to strengthen the community. Optional workshops included 'Friends focused on Prison Reform' and 'FCNL Priorities'.

During the Meetings for Business, friends discussed our role and responsibilities as a community. For several years, the FLGBTQC has sought ways to be more welcoming to Friends of color, and this year we felt led to try something new. This summer at FGC, the FLGBTQC group and the Friends of Color group will hold meeting for worship together, on one or two occasions during the week. Additionally, we will extend a hand of welcoming to the Teen program to join us during one of our meetings for worship.

This past year has brought joys and disappointments regarding current events. Just over a week ago, on Friday, March 23rd 2018, the White House announced a policy to ban most transgender people from serving in the military. The plan currently has no immediate effect, as multiple organizations are currently challenging this policy in court. I ask SEYM to hold the trans community in the light.

Last year, Friends came together in the screened porch to talk about how monthly and yearly meetings can be more inclusive. As we move forward, I hope our communities feel led to use some of these ideas in their local meetinghouses.

- Stating pronouns like she/her or he/him during introductions at conversations/activities
- Providing trans flag and rainbow flag stickers available to put on name tags
- Have books, pamphlets, or other LGBTQ+ resources available in library
- Create a community sign of welcoming near the meetinghouse entrance (eg. outdoor sign)
- Make a list within the meetinghouse of what groups the meeting supports
- Integrate a lesson on LGBTQ+ inclusion into first day school for young Friends
- Have gender-inclusive bathrooms with clear signage
- Donate to community organizations that serve LGBTQ+ individuals
- Marching in an LGBTQ+ pride parade or community event
- Volunteer to host a queer-related community event at the meetinghouse (eg. film viewings)
- Continue financially supporting an SEYM representative to attend FLGBTQC events

Thank you for this opportunity to serve as your representative to FLGBTQC. In this brief year, I have formed relationships with Quakers across the country and reconnected with the Quaker FLGBTQC community in a deeper way. I look forward to joining again with the community at the FGC gathering from July 1-7, 2018 in Toledo, Ohio.

Sara Humphrey, SEYM Representative to FLGBTQC

AFSC - South Region 2018 report for SEYM

As the American Friends Service Committee moves into its 101st year the organization is embracing both change and resistance. That change has brought Joyce Ajlouny to the organization as the AFSC's first Palestinian-American General Secretary. Joyce joined the AFSC at the end of its Centennial year and is excited to share her vision for our work at a future Palmetto Friends Gathering in the future. In 2017, AFSC worked in 17 countries and 35 U.S. cities. Every day, courageous individuals are coming together to demonstrate the transformative power of love to overcome violence, discrimination, and oppression. AFSC is honored to partner with communities around the globe in pursuing peace and justice. We hope you enjoy these highlights of our accomplishments from the past year and meeting some of the constituents, volunteers, partners, staff, and supporters who make our work possible. This report focuses mainly on activities in the U.S. South as that is the region in which SEYM are located.

The election of Donald Trump and the further right-wing shift of most state legislatures in the South region has driven much of AFSC's work in the region over the past year. These political changes have resulted in immediate threats to the communities that we work in predominantly: Latinx, African-American and low-income communities. Additionally, the pronounced growth and increased visibility of forces of white-nationalism and white-supremacy has been more pronounced in the South region.

In order to protect and defend the rights of the communities that the AFSC is working in we launched several national initiatives including the Communities Against Islamophobia campaign and the Sanctuary Everywhere network. People are pushing back against the rising tide of hateful policies that target immigrants, Muslims, and communities of color—and AFSC is providing them with the tools and training to succeed. Our Sanctuary Everywhere and Communities Against Islamophobia initiatives help everyday people work together to keep each other safe. Through webinars, in-person trainings, and online resources, people are coming together to resist state violence and interrupt acts of hate and fear. The results are impressive. More congregations are now well-equipped to offer sanctuary to those facing deportation, more community members understand how to respond to public harassment, more immigrants and allies know how to exercise their rights, and more schools and municipalities have adopted policies that improve safety for all.

We come to this gathering prepared to aid you and your meetings implement these strategies as individuals and in our communities. A principal resource we would ask that Friends consider in their local social justice work is the Quaker Social Change Ministry. AFSC's Quaker Social Change Ministry (QSCM) serves as a model for congregations and other groups interested in engaging in Spirit-led activism while following the leadership of communities most impacted by injustice. This year, AFSC provided training and resources to more than 125 people in congregations using QSCM tools in their efforts.

Our eight individual programs in the South are working diligently to protect, defend and vision a future without oppression with communities in the region. In Miami and Greensboro we continue to accompany immigrants in their struggle to rebuild a broken immigration system. In West Virginia and Atlanta our economic justice initiative are organizing from community centers to state capitals to ensure that the economic futures of our most vulnerable communities are protected. While our youth organizing programs in New Orleans, Washington DC, Baltimore, Atlanta, Miami and West Virginia continue their work to nurture future generations of active, educated and empowered leaders through their youth organizing activities. We encourage friends to learn more by visiting our website at www.afsc.org or pulling someone from the AFSC aside during this weekend's gathering.

We also invite Friends to join us in utilizing the following resources and opportunities to become active in their meeting and community:

- Please join us at this year's FGC gathering: www.afsc.org/fgc
- Join our Sanctuary Everywhere webinars: www.afsc.org/sanctuaryeverywhere/live
- Utilize Quaker social change ministry for your ongoing social change work: www.afsc.org/qscm
- Read Acting in Faith regularly: www.afsc.org/friends
- Visit our Friends Engage pages with many ways for Quakers to get involved: www.afsc.org/friendsengage

Thank you for all that you do. The AFSC stands ready to work with you to achieve the needed change in our country and in our world. Please do not hesitate to ask us how you might get further engaged.

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Treasurer's Report

Southeastern Yearly Meeting of The Religious Society of Friends

Treasurer Report for 2018 Yearly Meeting

Report for end of First Half of Fiscal Year 2017-18 (June 1 thru January 31, 2018)

All values are rounded to the nearest dollar.

SEYM Total Cash Flow not including Trustees

The overall cash flow of the Yearly Meeting (excluding the Trustees' accounts) for this period yielded a net income (excluding unrealized capital gains of \$902 on investments for the Publications program) of \$385, including \$1,500 restricted donation for the Publications program and \$18,522 restricted donations for the Field Secretary for Earthcare program, and a non-budget donation to Friends Peace Teams of \$5,000 with off-setting donations to SEYM of \$700. This resulted from an SEYM total real income of \$72,043 against total expenses of \$71,658.

SEYM General Fund for Administration - Cash Flow and Budget Performance

At the end of this period, the General Fund (the operations fund for which we approved a balanced budget of \$71,680 in our 2017 Yearly Meeting sessions) showed a net income of \$3,032. This resulted from General Fund total income of \$39,835 (56% of budget) against expenses of \$36,802 (51% of budget).

Budget Support Apportionments & Contributions Received

During this period, in response to the annual request for support of the approved General Fund Budget (the Apportionments), contributions received from the Monthly Meetings and Worship Groups totaled \$32,222, or 54% of the year's budgeted request of \$61,870.

Sixteen Monthly Meetings and three Worship Groups were included in the Apportionment request this fiscal year. So far, two have contributed their entire requested amount, seven have contributed one-half to three-quarters, 2 have contributed quarter to half, and eight have not contributed anything.

The unrestricted individual donations received toward the Budget during this period totaled \$510, approximately 26% of the \$2,000 budgeted amount.

A Worship Group with no requested apportionment has donated \$150.

Cash Flow Results for Programs

The annual programs for this fiscal year are in progress; cash flow is incomplete.

The Publications program during this period had a net real income of \$640, excluding unrealized capital gains of \$902 on investments for the program, and a restricted donation of \$1,500.

The SEYM Field Secretary for Earthcare program during this period received \$18,522 in donations and had expenses of \$13,257, yielding a net income of \$5,265.

Net Worth

The Net Worth of the combined Yearly Meeting and its Trustees at the end of this period was \$575,901, an increase of \$35,030 including \$27,244 in unrealized capital gains since the beginning of the fiscal year.

Joel D. Cook, Treasurer - SEYM March 27, 2018

Southeastern Yearly Meeting
Budget vs Actual Income and Expense
June 2017 through January 2018

	Jun '17 - Jan '18 Actual	Budget	Over/Under(-) Budget	% of Budget
Income				
2000 · Income				
2001 · Donations				
2002 · Indivd.Donations-Classes	510.00	2,000.00	-1,490.00	26%
2023 · Meeting Donations, WG wo apport	150.00		150.00	100%
2003 · Meeting Donations - Other	33,221.75	61,870.00	-28,648.25	54%
2003 · Meeting Donations	33,371.75	61,870.00	-28,498.25	54%
Total 2001 · Donations	33,881.75	63,870.00	-29,988.25	53%
2200 · Investment Earnings				
2203 · Savings Account Interest	16.26	10.00	6.26	163%
2316 · GuideOne Insurance Dividends	94.52			
Total 2000 · Invesment Earnings Income	110.78	10.00	100.78	1108%
2700 · Transfer in FROM other classes				
2711 · Donations to GF from o/classes	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0%
2712 · Michener Lect. to GF/insurance	0.00	900.00	-900.00	0%
2732 · Gath/Walton to GF/insurance	0.00	450.00	-450.00	0%
2804 · from Trustee's Funds				
2815 · for BertscheOutreach Travel	1,753.70	1,800.00	-46.30	97%
2820 · for Staff Salary	4,088.47	4,500.00	-411.53	91%
Total 2804 · from Trustee's Funds	5,842.17	6,300.00	-457.83	93%
Total 2700 · Transfer in FROM other classes	5,842.17	7,800.00	-1,957.83	75%
Total Income	39,834.70	71,680.00	-31,845.30	56%
Expense				
3000 · Operating Costs				
3001 · Bank Service Charges	0.00	30.00	-30.00	0%
3002 · PayPal service fee	0.00	10.00	-10.00	0%
3080 · Duplication	1,034.50	1,000.00	34.50	103%
3106 · Liability Insurance	1,361.35	1,540.00	-178.65	88%
3107 · Youth Worker CAP Certification	15.90	150.00	-134.10	11%
3146 · Non-Profit Corporation Fee	0.00	60.00	-60.00	0%
3200 · Office Supplies	597.21	800.00	-202.79	75%
3270 · Payroll Expenses	25,336.48	30,400.00	-5,063.52	83%
3272 · Employer Payroll Taxes	1,938.24	2,390.00	-451.76	81%
3380 · Postage/Shipping	293.40	500.00	-206.60	59%
3381 · Post Office Box rental	86.00	150.00	-64.00	57%
3400 · Office Equipment	235.33	400.00	-164.67	59%
3500 · Professional Fees	0.00	1,400.00	-1,400.00	0%
3640 · Rent warehouse/office	1,208.00	1,400.00	-192.00	86%
3700 · Repairs	70.00	200.00	-130.00	35%
3816 · Software	809.56	800.00	9.56	101%
3840 · Telephone & Inet access	1,160.46	2,000.00	-839.54	58%
3860 · Travel Administrative	363.64	2,000.00	-1,636.36	18%
3900 · Website	576.86	1,000.00	-423.14	58%
Total 3000 · Operating Costs	35,086.93	46,230.00	-11,143.07	76%
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%

Southeastern Yearly Meeting
Budget vs Actual Income and Expense
June 2017 through January 2018

	Jun '17 - Jan '18 Actual	Budget	Over/Under(-) Budget	% of Budget
. 4349 · Finance	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
. 4359 · Nominating	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
. 4369 · Peace and Social Concerns	0.00	450.00	-450.00	0%
. 4379 · Religious Education	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
. 4389 · Youth Committee	0.00	50.00	-50.00	0%
. 4399 · Worship and Ministry	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0%
. 4429 · Earthcare	0.00	500.00	-500.00	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>0.00</u>	<u>2,100.00</u>	<u>-2,100.00</u>	<u>0%</u>
. 5000 · Donations to Organizations				
. 5007 · AFSC	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0%
. 5018 · Earlham School of Religion	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0%
. 5027 · FCNL	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0%
. 5028 · QEW (FCUN)	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0%
. 5030 · FLGBTQC	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0%
. 5037 · FGC	0.00	1,200.00	-1,200.00	0%
. 5038 · FLCoalition for Peace & Justice	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0%
. 5047 · Florida Council of Churches	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0%
. 5048 · Florida Impact	0.00	300.00	-300.00	0%
. 5057 · Friends Journal	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0%
. 5061 · Friends Peace Teams	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0%
. 5067 · FUM	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0%
. 5068 · FWCC	0.00	1,450.00	-1,450.00	0%
. 5077 · Pendle Hill	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0%
. 5078 · ProNica	0.00	4,000.00	-4,000.00	0%
. 5085 · Quaker House of Fayetteville NC	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0%
. 5087 · Quaker Life	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0%
. 5089 · QUNO	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0%
. 5097 · Wm Penn House	0.00	100.00	-100.00	0%
. Total 5000 · Donations to Organizations	<u>0.00</u>	<u>9,850.00</u>	<u>-9,850.00</u>	<u>0%</u>
. 8000 · Representative Travel				
. 8160 · Annual Representative	1,586.07	4,000.00	-2,413.93	40%
. 8360 · Other Travel	129.22		129.22	100%
. 8460 · Travel Support to SEYM Business	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0%
. 8560 · Attendance at SEYM Approved Activities	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0%
. Total 8000 · Representative Travel	<u>1,715.29</u>	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>-4,284.71</u>	<u>29%</u>
. 8500 · Contingency	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0%
. Total 2999 · Expenses	<u>36,802.22</u>	<u>67,180.00</u>	<u>-30,377.78</u>	<u>55%</u>
. 9000 · Transfer OUT TO other classes				
. 9004 · for Youth Programs	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00	0%
. 9005 · for Gathering Youth	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0%
. 9060 · for Triennial Travel	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0%
. Total 9000 · Transfer OUT TO other classes	<u>0.00</u>	<u>5,500.00</u>	<u>-5,500.00</u>	<u>0%</u>
. Total Expense	<u>36,802.22</u>	<u>72,680.00</u>	<u>-35,877.78</u>	<u>51%</u>
. Net Income	<u>3,032.48</u>	<u>-1,000.00</u>	<u>4,032.48</u>	<u>n/a</u>

Southeastern Yearly Meeting
Income and Expense
June 2017 through January 2018

	Admin/General Fund	Friends Peace Team	Gathering/Walton Lecture	Half Yearly Meeting (HYM)	Michener Lecture	Publications	Secretary - Earthcare	Trustee's Funds	TOTAL
Income									
2000 - Income									
2001 - Donations	510.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	510.00
2002 - Indivl Donations-Classes	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
2003 - Meeting Donations	33,221.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,221.75
2003 - Meeting Donations, WG we apport	33,881.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,881.75
Total 2003 - Meeting Donations	33,881.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,881.75
Total 2001 - Donations	33,881.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,881.75
2040 - Restricted Donations	0.00	700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	500.00	2,700.00
2050 - Restricted - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,521.80	0.00	13,521.80
2060 - Donations - Restricted- FSE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13,521.80	0.00	13,521.80
Total 2040 - Restricted Donations	0.00	700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	13,521.80	500.00	16,221.80
2200 - Investment Earnings									
2203 - Savings Account Interest	16.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16.26
2205 - Dividends FFC Gathering Youth	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,012.31	4,012.31
2210 - Dividends FFC Michener Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	840.63	840.63
2215 - Dividends FFC Berische OuTravel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,753.70	1,753.70
2220 - Dividends-FFC Sec. Salary Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,088.47	4,088.47
2225 - Dividends FFC Unrestricted	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,125.04	1,125.04
2230 - Dividends FFC Walton Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,553.84	1,553.84
2250 - Interest FGC Meetinghouse Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	287.00	287.00
2260 - Dividends FFC SEYM/Publications	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	679.64	0.00	0.00	679.64
2280 - Investment Capital Gains/Losses									
2206 - Capital Gain(Loss) Gain: Youth	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,941.94	6,941.94
2211 - Capital Gain(Loss) Michener	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,454.44	1,454.44
2216 - Capital Gain(Loss) BerischeOTra	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,034.17	3,034.17
2221 - Capital Gain(Loss) Sec. Ssal Fd	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,073.71	7,073.71
2226 - Capital Gain(Loss) Unrestricted	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,148.89	5,148.89
2231 - Capital Gain(Loss) Walton	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,688.38	2,688.38
2281 - Capital Gain(Loss) SEYM Publish	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	902.20	0.00	0.00	902.20
Total 2200 - Investment Capital Gains/Losses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	902.20	0.00	0.00	902.20
Total 2200 - Investment Earnings	16.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,361.64	0.00	40,002.32	41,600.92
2316 - GuideOne Insurance Dividends	94.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	94.52
2400 - Program Registrations									
2430 - Registration Fee	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,737.59	1,090.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,827.59
2600 - Sales									
2630 - Book/consignment Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2660 - Publication Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	572.70	0.00	53.00	625.70
Total 2600 - Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	572.70	0.00	53.00	625.70
Total 2000 - Income	33,982.53	700.00	0.00	2,737.59	1,090.00	3,654.54	13,521.80	40,555.52	96,251.98
2700 - Transfer in FROM other classes									
2804 - from Trustee's Funds	0.00	0.00	4,012.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,012.31
2805 - for Gathering Youth	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	840.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	840.63
2810 - for Michener Lecture	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2815 - for BerischeOutreach Travel	1,753.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,753.70
2820 - for Slarf Salary	4,088.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,088.47
2830 - for Walton Lecture/Gathering	0.00	0.00	1,553.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,553.84
2804 - from Trustee's Funds - Other	5,842.17	0.00	5,566.15	0.00	840.63	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	17,248.95
Total 2804 - from Trustee's Funds	5,842.17	0.00	5,566.15	0.00	840.63	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	17,248.95
Total 2700 - Transfer in FROM other classes	39,834.70	700.00	5,566.15	2,737.59	1,930.63	3,654.54	18,521.80	40,555.52	113,500.93
Total Income	73,817.23	1,400.00	5,566.15	5,475.18	2,920.63	7,309.08	32,043.60	81,111.04	186,832.91
Expense									
2999 - Expenses									
3000 - Operating Costs									
3001 - Bank Service Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	46.07	0.00	46.07
3002 - PayPal service fee	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.78
3006 - Contract Labor	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
3080 - Duplication	1,034.50	0.00	135.00	6.00	18.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,193.50
3100 - Insurance									
3106 - Liability Insurance	1,361.35	0.00	249.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,610.86

Southeastern Yearly Meeting
Income and Expense
June 2017 through January 2018

	Admin/General Fund	Friends Peace Team	Gathering/Walton Lectures	Half Yearly Meeting (HYM)	Michener Lectures	Publications	Secretary - Earthcare	Trustee's Funds	TOTAL
Total 3100 - Insurance	1,361.35	0.00	249.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,610.86
3107 - Youth Worker CAP Certification	15.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.90
3200 - Office Supplies	597.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	602.28
3270 - Payroll Expenses	25,336.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.07	0.00	0.00	35,820.46
3272 - Employer Payroll Taxes	1,938.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,483.98	0.00	2,733.84
3380 - Postage/Shipping	293.40	0.00	48.18	35.16	0.00	26.05	795.60	0.00	420.50
3381 - Post Office Box rental	86.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	86.00
3400 - Office Equipment	235.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	235.33
3640 - Rent warehouse/office	400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	400.00
3642 - Office Rent	803.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	808.00
3643 - Storage Unit	1,208.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,208.00
Total 3640 - Rent warehouse/office	70.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.00
3700 - Repairs	70.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.00
3740 - Computer Repairs	809.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	809.56
Total 3700 - Repairs	1,160.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,160.46
3816 - Software	363.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	363.64
3840 - Telephone & Internet access	420.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	420.00
3860 - Travel Administrative	363.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	360.03	0.00	1,931.80	0.00	2,655.47
3900 - Website	420.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	420.00
3641 - Rent E-Data off-site storage	156.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	156.86
3900 - Website - Other	576.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	576.86
Total 3900 - Website	35,986.93	0.00	432.69	65.94	470.74	31.12	13,257.45	0.00	49,344.87
Total 5000 - Operating Costs	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
5000 - Donations to Organizations	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
5061 - Friends Peace Teams	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total 5000 - Donations to Organizations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6000 - Production	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6080 - ISSN Printing, Publications	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	133.00	0.00	0.00	133.00
6380 - ISBN production	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	448.70	0.00	0.00	448.70
Total 6000 - Production	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	581.70	0.00	0.00	581.70
7000 - Operating Costs Programs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7086 - Equipment Rental	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	245.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	245.00
7138 - Food purchases	0.00	0.00	0.00	724.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	724.07
7200 - Food, snacks	0.00	0.00	0.00	114.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	114.15
7500 - Site Fees	0.00	0.00	11,069.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,069.63
7533 - Site Deposits	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7500 - Site Fees - Other	0.00	0.00	1,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
Total 7500 - Site Fees	0.00	0.00	11,069.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12,269.63
7600 - Food/lodging, Speaker	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	311.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	311.61
7650 - Speaker Honorarium	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
7680 - Speaker travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	852.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	852.00
Total 7000 - Operating Costs Programs	0.00	0.00	11,069.63	2,035.22	1,908.61	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,016.46
8000 - Representative Travel	1,586.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,586.07
8160 - Annual Representative	128.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	128.22
8360 - Other Travel	1,715.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,715.29
Total 8000 - Representative Travel	36,802.22	0.00	11,502.32	2,104.16	2,379.35	612.82	13,257.45	0.00	71,656.32
Total 2999 - Expenses	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
9000 - Transfer OUT TO other classes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9005 - for Gathering Youth	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,012.31	4,012.31
9210 - for Michener Lecture	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	840.63	840.63
9215 - for Bertsche/Outreach/Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,753.70	1,753.70
9220 - for Staff Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,088.47	4,088.47
9230 - for Walton Lecture/Gathering	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,553.84	1,553.84
9000 - Transfer OUT TO other classes - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total 9000 - Transfer OUT TO other classes	36,802.22	5,000.00	11,502.32	2,104.16	2,379.35	612.82	13,257.45	17,248.95	77,248.95
Total Expense	3,032.48	-4,300.00	-5,936.17	633.43	-448.72	3,041.72	5,264.35	23,306.57	24,593.66
Net Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26,341.53	27,243.73
Unrealized Capital Gains / Losses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-3,034.96	-2,650.07
Net Income Before Unrealized Capital Gains / Losses	3,032.48	-4,300.00	-5,936.17	633.43	-448.72	2,139.52	5,264.35	23,311.53	24,593.69
Overall Cash Flow Excluding Trustee's Accounts									384.89

Southeastern Yearly Meeting
Balance Sheet
As of January 31, 2018

	Jan 31, 18	May 31, 17	Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
0501 · Checking Account BOA			
511 · Checking - Gen'l Fund - General	-3,640.74	-12,052.62	8,411.88
560 · Checking-GF-Triennial Travel	5,848.18	5,848.18	0.00
561 · Peace Team Travel Fund	-4,300.00		-4,300.00
566 · Checking-GF-Sufferings	170.00	170.00	0.00
610 · Checking-SA-Michener	1,364.24	1,812.96	-448.72
630 · Checking-SA-YBM Gathering	-935.32	5,000.85	-5,936.17
640 · Checking-SA-Programs for Youth	7,783.68	7,783.68	0.00
650 · Checking-SA-HYM	1,268.67	228.59	1,040.08
670 · Checking - SA - Earthcare	33,258.75	27,994.40	5,264.35
680 · Checking-SA-Publications	-4,992.37	-7,131.89	2,139.52
700 · Checking-Trustees			
705 · Checking - Gathering Youth Fund	3,826.74	3,773.74	53.00
720 · Checking - Secretary's Fund	500.00		500.00
725 · Checking - Unrestricted Fund	24,377.60	29,377.60	-5,000.00
750 · Checking -FGC Meetinghouse Fund	25,362.00	2,575.00	22,787.00
Total 700 · Checking-Trustees	54,066.34	35,726.34	18,340.00
Total 0501 · Checking Account BOA	89,891.43	65,380.49	24,510.94
903 · Savings BOA	55,870.82	60,854.56	-4,983.74
999 · Pay Pal	169.71	134.72	34.99
Total Checking/Savings	145,931.96	126,369.77	19,562.19
Accounts Receivable			
1100 · Accounts Receivable	1,198.78	20.52	1,178.26
Total Accounts Receivable	1,198.78	20.52	1,178.26
Other Current Assets			
1180 · FFC SOYM1 Publications Investme	14,824.34	13,615.88	1,208.46
1200 · Trustee Investments			
1205 · FFC SOYMT6 GatheringYouth Fund	114,064.39	104,766.01	9,298.38
1210 · FFC SOYMT3 Michener	23,898.13	21,949.98	1,948.15
1215 · FFC SOYMT2 BertscheTravel Fd	49,855.05	45,790.93	4,064.12
1220 · FFC SOYMT5 Sec's Salary Fund	116,229.46	106,754.58	9,474.88
1225 · FFC SOYMT4 Unrestricted	66,765.56	59,160.96	7,604.60
1230 · FFC SOYMT1 Walton Fund	44,173.26	40,572.31	3,600.95
1230 · FGC Meetinghouse Fund	0.00	22,500.00	-22,500.00
Total 1200 · Trustee Investments	414,985.85	401,494.77	13,491.08
Total Other Current Assets	429,810.19	415,110.65	14,699.54
Total Current Assets	576,940.93	541,500.94	35,439.99
Other Assets			
1270 · Loans			
1276 · SEYM Bank Error	-5.00	0.00	-5.00
Total 1270 · Loans	-5.00	0.00	-5.00
Total Other Assets	-5.00	0.00	-5.00
TOTAL ASSETS	576,935.93	541,500.94	35,434.99

Southeastern Yearly Meeting
Balance Sheet
As of January 31, 2018

	<u>Jan 31, 18</u>	<u>May 31, 17</u>	<u>Change</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
1300 · Expected/Prepaid Expenses		-406.65	
1370 · Payroll Liabilities	419.44		419.44
1372 · SEYM Payroll Liability	615.04	419.44	195.60
1370 · Payroll Liabilities - Other	1,034.48	616.49	417.99
Total 1370 · Payroll Liabilities	<u>1,034.48</u>	<u>1,035.93</u>	<u>-1.45</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>1,034.48</u>	<u>629.28</u>	<u>405.20</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,034.48</u>	<u>629.28</u>	<u>405.20</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>1,034.48</u>	<u>629.28</u>	<u>405.20</u>
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	206,222.85	171,772.09	34,450.76
Net Income	23,968.66	23,389.63	579.03
Total Equity	<u>575,901.45</u>	<u>540,871.66</u>	<u>35,029.79</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>576,935.93</u></u>	<u><u>541,500.94</u></u>	<u><u>35,434.99</u></u>

SEYM's Worship & Ministry Report for March 2018

SEYM's Worship and Ministry gathered to reminiscences of the beauty of spring. We reviewed WIBM minutes and moved on to Michener Lecture concerns. We discussed 2018's lecture by Wess Daniels sharing our appreciation for the depth of content, and lamenting that so few of us gathered in Orlando for it. We strongly encourage everyone to avail themselves to the printed pamphlet when available. You will be moved.

As announced at WIBM, Eden Grace will speak in 2019. We are pleased this is working out and have already begun discussion concerning possible speakers for 2020.

We addressed our responsibilities to this annual gathering. We gratefully acknowledge Joel Cook's presentation on 4:15 p.m., Saturday, on our behalf. It promises to be spiritually rich dealing with the Light that Shines on Darkness. Jan Dahm and Lisa Erazmus again have given all of us a great gift with the Quotes and Queries used in daily worship sharing. Join with W & M in thanking them.

We also bring to your attention Nancy Fennell who had a bad fall January 31, and had 3 fractures of her pelvis and lower back bone. Please hold her and Tom in the Light.

Another Friend, Barbara Wolf is also in need of our collective Light as she deals with cancer.

Our intervisitation initiative continues with April being the next month of 5 First Days. Your monthly meeting or worship group should have received a brightly colored envelope with an equally bright flyer to share and post. Please consider this opportunity to both grow and support each other.

For two business meetings, Fall and Winter, I said you would be receiving information about the new FWCC program of travelling ministers. It has arrived! I will be mailing information to each monthly meeting and worship group. Consider this rich resource available to all of us. Much info is available on the FWCC web site.

Our committee wishes to plant a seed to consider giving committees more time to meet together in our SEYM Thursday meeting. We feel a bit squished and truncated to give all of our responsibilities adequate time.

Finally, we wish to correct an unintended oversight with the following minute:

18YM07 – Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses deep appreciation for the ten plus years of loving ministry provided by Wendy Clarissa Geiger for co-clerking the Worship and Ministry committee and for the spiritual nurture of our Yearly Meeting.

Please note that I gave this minute about Wendy to the recording clerks, and do not have the exact wording with me. It expressed gratitude for her 10 years of service to W & M Committee and support for SEYM in general.

I hope this is helpful.

With love and Light, Clara

Historic Peace Churches report and recommendation

to SEYM 3/30/2018

From Warren Hoskins, SEYM representative to the Historic Peace Churches in Florida

The Historic Peace Churches program committee has been unable to meet this year or last year, and telephone and email communications have not sufficed for planning a gathering. Recent correspondence from Phil Lersch, the founding coordinator, states that he is having to remove himself even further from activities. I am unable to pick up this coordinating work and there is no one else stepping forward. Phil and I agree it is time to lay down the Historic Peace Churches program, and cease requesting support for it from the three bodies – SEYM, the Church of the Brethren and the Mennonites – and it is my recommendation to SEYM to end support for the program now.

Phil reports that there is a balance in the HPC account at the Church of the Brethren (funds held earmarked for the Historic Peace Churches work) of \$352.12. This is the remainder of contributions from each of the three bodies – SEYM, the Church of the Brethren and the Mennonites – that were given over several years to fund planning meetings and to set up and carry out gatherings of the Historic Peace Churches in Florida. I believe we had six of these gatherings through the years, the last coordinated by Tom Guelcher who had some contact with Fort Myers Friends, I recall. No funds have been requested the past year.

Phil will notify the Treasurer of the Church of the Brethren to write checks to each supporting body for one third of the funds. Phil will communicate first to ascertain how checks should be made out and where they should be sent.

This may be my last report as representative from SEYM to the Historic Peace Churches in Florida, although one more may be needed to wrap up the finances. I can say that my participation in the gatherings of the Historic Peace Churches in Florida was more valuable to me than ever anticipated, and that, given the distances between cities in Florida, the inability to go on indefinitely (as all of us steering committee volunteers aged and newer younger volunteers did not come forward) was not a surprise.

There are reports in the SEYM files of the gatherings held, and Friends can remember the volunteers from each of the bodies with gratitude for the work done, the communities connected, and our shared history celebrated.

One other recommendation – when you are thinking of worshipping with another body on one of the intervisitation Firstdays, consider going to a Mennonite Church or a Church of the Brethren. I can testify that we are kindred in the Light.

Respectfully submitted,
--Warren Hoskins

Committee for Ministry on Racism Report

SEYM Gathering, Third Month 30, 2018

"If I love you, I have to make you conscious of the things you don't see" ---James Baldwin

"Loving your enemy is manifest in putting your arms not around the [person], but around the social situation, to take power from those who misuse it- at which point they can become human too."

---Bayard Rustin (As quoted in Sixth Day SEYM Worship Sharing Queries, Third Month 30, 2018)

Greetings from the Committee for Ministry on Racism,

We met yesterday afternoon and affirmed the founding mission of the Committee: **To increase awareness of racism personally, within our communities and among Quakerdom.** At future meetings, some of which will be by Zoom teleconferences thanks to Field Secretary for Earthcare, Beverly Ward (Tampa MM), we will develop goals and actions to achieve those goals. We welcome input on goals and actions from all of you in our Southeastern Yearly Meeting family.

We had conversations about our experiences with racism and white privilege and would like to facilitate such conversions more widely among SEYM Friends.

We encourage Friends to visit the Committee for Ministry on Racism display at the back of the auditorium.

We noted that some of our past actions are continuing:

- We invite all SEYM Meetings and Worship Groups who have not already done so, to begin a conversation about racism and White privilege by reading together and responding to the queries in Patience Schenck's Pendle Hill Pamphlet No. 415: *Living Our Testimony on Equality: A White Friends Experience*. This action request began two years ago. A link to Peggy McIntosh's classic paper, *White Privilege: Unpacking the Invisible Knapsack* is now available on the Committee for Ministry on Racism's website. Copyright prohibitions prevent posting of the paper itself. We recommend that all Friends read this as well.
- The Baltimore Yearly Meeting Working Group on Racism is in conversation with our committee regarding SEYM's minute from 2017 on removing the exception clause to the 13th Amendment to the U.S Constitution in order to end enslavement as it is practiced in prisons. We encourage Friends to contact their Senators and Representatives regarding this.
- Wendy Clarissa Geiger's document, *What White folk can do about racism and making Black Lives Matter* is now available as a Word document for Friends who would like to have ideas about what white people can do to address racism pertaining to black and brown people. It is an offering from Wendy Clarissa to all SEYM Friends, targeted toward those of us who identify as White. A copy can be found by the Committee for Ministry on Racism display. The committee was able to review much of the document and was grateful for Wendy's efforts. We looked at language and some shared that using the term "People of Color" represents a uniting term to them of all people who are not White. Another view expressed was that some Friends are led to work solely with racism as experienced by Black people.
- We recommend that all Friends take the on-line test regarding "hidden biases" (**Implicit Association Test addressing race. Harvard**), which is on Wendy's list. Two of us on the committee found it valuable to take.
- Some of us have also learned deeply from Michelle Alexander's Book, **The New Jim Crow- Mass Incarceration in the Age of Color Blindness**, on Wendy's list and the FGC bookstore table in the lobby. We suggest Friends read it.

The committee is very grateful to Jane Westberg and Kody Hersh (both of Miami MM), who will be leading the workshop at 10:00 AM, Saturday the 31st on **Roots of Injustice, Seeds of Change: Toward Right Relationship with Native Peoples**. This presentation was deeply inspiring to Friends who participated in this at Half-Yearly Meeting, 2017. We heartily encourage Friends to attend.

We look forward to continuing conversations with all Friends about racism and the intersectionality of all forms of oppression with racism. Please share your ideas with us and ways to move from ideas to actions.

---Susan Taylor, Co-clerk, for the committee

SEYM General Fund Budget FY 2018-2019 approved 3/31/18

	Annual Budget \$ FY2016-17	Actual \$ FY2016-17	Annual Budget \$ FY2017-18	1st 1/2 Actual \$ FY2017-18	Adopted Budget \$ FY2018-19	Change frm 2017-18 budget
Income						
2000 Income						
2001 Donations						
2002 Individual Donations (& In-Kind: GF Acct#2006)	\$2,000	2,536.00	\$2,000	400.00	\$2,000	
2003 Meetings & Worship Groups - Apportionments	\$60,880	54,630.00	\$61,870	24,206.00	\$69,715	7,845.00
2003 Meetings & WGs - Others (GF Accts #2013,2023)		125.00				
2060 Donations - Restricted						
2001 Other Donations -Restricted (GF Accts#2004,2060)						
Total 2001 Donations	62,880.00	57,291.00	63,870.00	24,606.00	\$71,715	
2200 Investment Earnings						
2203 Savings account interest	\$10	20.00	\$10	12.00	\$20	10.00
Total 2200 Investment Earnings	\$10	20.00	\$10	12.00	\$20	
2306 Miscellaneous Income (& GF Accts#2316,2380)			\$-	95.00		
2316 GuideOne Insurance Dividend						
Total 2000 Income	62,890.00	57,311.00	63,880.00	24,713.00	\$71,735	
2700 Transfers in FROM other classes						
2711 Donations to GF through other classes						
2712 Michener Lecture to GF/insurance	\$150	150.00	\$150	0.00	\$150	
2732 Gath/Walton to GF/insurance	\$900	900.00	\$900	0.00	\$900	
2750 Surplus from HYM						
2752 HYM to GF/insurance	\$450	450.00	\$450	0.00	\$450	
2804 From Trustee's Funds						
2815 for Bertsche Outreach Travel	\$1,500	1,828.00	\$1,800	872.00	\$1,800	
2820 for Secretary's Salary	\$3,600	4,261.00	\$4,500	2,034.00	\$4,500	
Total 2804 from Trustee's Funds	5,100.00	6,089.00	6,300.00	2,906.00	\$6,300	
Total 2700 Transfers in FROM other classes	6,600.00	7,589.00	7,800.00	2,906.00	\$7,800	
Total Income	69,490.00	64,900.00	71,680.00	27,619.00	\$79,535	
Expenses						
2999 Expenses						
3000 Administrative						
3001 Bank Service Charges	\$20	0.00	\$30	0.00	\$30	
3002 Credit Card service fees	\$10	0.00	\$10	0.00	\$10	
3006 Contract Labor	\$-	0.00	\$-	0.00	\$-	
3080 Duplication (& GF Acct#6000)	\$1,000	1,076.00	\$1,000	1,035.00	\$1,500	500.00
3106 Liability Insurance	\$1,400	1,369.00	\$1,540	1,361.00	\$1,700	160.00
3107 Youth Worker CAP Certification Program	\$150	87.00	\$150	16.00	\$150	
3146 State Fee for Non-Profit Corporation	\$60	0.00	\$60	0.00	\$60	
3200 Office Supplies	\$500	718.00	\$800	414.00	\$800	
3270 Payroll Expenses - Employee Salary	\$29,200	36,095.00	\$30,400	18,049.00	\$41,000	10,600.00
3271 Payroll Expenses - Employee Benefits	\$-	0.00	\$-	0.00	\$-	
3272 Payroll Expenses - Employer Taxes for Staff	\$2,200	2,763.00	\$2,390	1,381.00	\$2,755	365.00
3380 Postage & Shipping	\$500	384.00	\$500	272.00	\$500	
3381 Post Office Box Rental	\$200	152.00	\$150	86.00	\$180	
3400 Office Equipment	\$400	1,417.00	\$400	235.00	\$400	
3500 Professional Svcs (& GF Accts#3536,3556,5187)	\$1,400	1,325.00	\$1,400	0.00	\$1,400	
3640 Rent, Office & Off-site Storage Unit	\$1,400	1,591.00	\$1,400	906.00	\$1,400	
3642 Office Rent				0.00	\$-	
3643 Storage Unit				0.00	\$-	
3700 Repairs	\$200	102.00	\$200		\$200	
3816 Software	\$1,400	1,230.00	\$800	740.00	\$800	
3840 Telephone & Internet Service	\$2,000	1,598.00	\$2,000	807.00	\$1,700	-300.00
3860 Travel Administrative (& GF Acct#9003)	\$2,000	1,394.00	\$2,000	170.00	\$2,000	
3900 Website Fees (& Off-site E-Data Storage)	\$1,000	910.00	\$1,000	360.00	\$1,500	500.00
Total 3000 Administrative	45,040.00	52,211.00	46,230.00	25,832.00	\$58,085	

4000 Committees Operating Expenses						
4309 Archives	\$550	0.00	\$550	0.00	\$550	
4329 EC & IBM (& GF Acct#7000)	\$100	0.00	\$100	0.00	\$100	
4339 Faith & Practice	\$50	0.00	\$50	0.00	\$50	
4349 Finance	\$50	0.00	\$50	0.00	\$50	
4359 Nominating	\$50	0.00	\$50	0.00	\$50	
4369 Peace & Social Concerns	\$450	250.00	\$450	0.00	\$450	
4389 Youth Committee	\$50	0.00	\$50	0.00	\$50	
4379 Publications	\$50		\$50		\$50	
4399 Worship & Ministry	\$150	0.00	\$150	0.00	\$150	
4429 Earthcare	\$500	368.00	\$500		\$500	
4469 Ministry on Racism	\$50	0.00	\$50	0.00	\$50	
4489 Young Adult Quakers	\$50	0.00	\$50	0.00	\$50	
Total 4000 Committee Operating Expenses	2,100.00	618.00	2,100.00	0.00	\$2,100	
5000 Donations to Organizations						
5007 AFSC	\$200	200.00	\$200	0.00	\$200	
5008 AFSC-SERO	\$-	0.00	\$-	0.00	\$-	
5018 Earlham School of Religion	\$100	100.00	\$100	0.00	\$100	
5027 FCNL	\$300	300.00	\$300	0.00	\$300	
5028 QEW	\$200	200.00	\$200	0.00	\$200	
5030 FLGBTQC	\$100	100.00	\$100	0.00	\$100	
5037 FGC	\$1,200	1,200.00	\$1,200	0.00	\$1,200	
5038 Florida Coalition for Peace & Justice	\$100	100.00	\$100	0.00	\$100	
5047 Florida Council of Churches	\$200	200.00	\$200	0.00	\$200	
5048 Florida Impact	\$300	300.00	\$300	0.00	\$300	
5057 Friends Journal	\$100	100.00	\$100	0.00	\$100	
5058 Friends Peace Teams	\$500	500.00	\$500	0.00	\$500	
5067 FUM (often restricted to specific Project(s))	\$500	500.00	\$500	0.00	\$500	
5068 FWCC	\$1,450	1,450.00	\$1,450	0.00	\$1,450	
5077 Pendle Hill	\$100	100.00	\$100	0.00	\$100	
5078 ProNica	\$4,000	4,000.00	\$4,000	0.00	\$-	-4,000.00
5085 Quaker House of Fayetteville NC	\$200	200.00	\$200	0.00	\$200	
5087 Quaker Life	\$100	100.00	\$100	0.00	\$100	
5089 Quaker UN Office	\$100	100.00	\$100	0.00	\$100	
5097 William Penn House	\$100	100.00	\$100	0.00	\$100	
Total 5000 Donations to Organizations	9,850.00	9,850.00	9,850.00	0.00	5,850.00	
8000 Representative Travel		536.00				
8160 Annual Representatives	\$4,000	1,683.00	\$4,000	1,018.00	\$4,000	
8360 Other Travel (Misc. & Observers)				129.00	\$-	
8460 Travel Support to SEYM Business	\$1,000	1,100.00	\$1,000	0.00	\$1,000	
8560 Attendance at SEYM-approved Activities			\$1,000	0.00	\$1,000	
Total 8000 Representative Travel	\$5,000	\$3,319	\$6,000	\$1,147	\$6,000	
8500 Contingency	\$2,000	1,900.00	\$2,000	0.00	\$2,000	
2999 Other Expenses						
Total 2999 Expenses	63,990.00	67,898.00	66,180.00	26,979.00	\$74,035	7,855.00
9000 Transfer out to other classes						
9004 for Youth Programs	\$2,500	2,500.00	\$2,500	0.00	\$2,500	
9005 for Gathering Youth	\$2,000	2,000.00	\$2,000	0.00	\$2,000	
9060 for Triennial Travel Reserves	\$1,000	1,000.00	\$1,000	0.00	\$1,000	
9061 Excess FYE Rep Annl Trvl to Triennial Trvl Rsrv						
9210 for Michener Lecture Support						
9450 for HYM Support						
Total 9000 Transfer out to other classes	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00	\$5,500	
Total Expenses	69,490.00	73,398.00	71,680.00	26,979.00	\$79,535	7,855.00
Net Income	0.00	-8,498.00	0.00	640.00	\$-	

Quaker Earthcare Witness Report 2017

The last face-to-face meeting was in Pendle Hill in Oct. There have been several conference call meetings since.

Publications, of which I am co-clerk with Judy Lumb, now has a downloadable set of files for the earthcare curricula from *Earthcare for Children*. It is easily located on the Quaker Earthcare Witness website.

There are several new trifold on population and some revised ones. The adoption trifold is newly revised. The Quaker Earthcare Witness general trifold about the organization is revised.

The *Earthcare for Friends* curriculum book is under current revision and will also become digitally available.

The decision to make these digital not only saves paper but also allows interested people to download and print out only those lessons they want.

There are some still usable first editions of *Earthcare for Friends* available for an as led donation to cover costs of shipping.

BeFriending Creation has been changed to a quarterly publication instead of five times a year. Quaker Earthcare Witness believes that this will allow for more deepening of the four.

There is a call for articles for *BeFriending Creation*. Please send any you may want to have considered to Hayley Hathaway. hayley@quakerearthcare.org

Please sign up for an e-version of *BeFriending Creation* or make an as led donation for a hard copy to be mailed to you.

Hayley Hathaway doesn't have quite a year as the new director in the Quaker Earthcare Witness office and she has had a very position impact on the productivity of the organization. She is young, bilingual, a Friend, and very committed.

Rising Clerk is Maryjo Klingel. Please hold her in the Light.

Minigrants committee, of which I am co-clerk with Maia Wolf, continues to be active. It has provided support to an inner city eco-justice project, a film of a reforestation project in Uganda, and two grants went to Monteverde Friends for the school and the Meeting for restoration of their sewage system after the hurricane and for a water collection system.

Minigrants is encouraging Meetings and worship groups and other Friends organizations to reach out and request a Minigrant. It is very simple now with downloadable, fillable, application form and clear easy steps. If you need any help, reach out to the clerks of Minigrants and we will help you with ideas and with the application if you need it. We encourage you to consider working with others in the community for a joint project.

We are working on a packaged presentation, a power point, about Minigrants that should be available this year.

Quaker Earthcare Witness broke even on the budget with some last minute significant donations. Quaker Earthcare Witness now has the ability to accept stocks as donations and several Friends have donated in that manner. There is one case where a Friend was divesting fossil fuel stocks and donated some of them to Quaker Earthcare Witness which immediately sold them. Think about it.

Please ask your Meetings and worship groups to consider donations for the work Quaker Earthcare Witness does.

Quaker Earthcare Witness is currently in discernment about vision for the future direction of the organization. If you have any comments or suggestions, please forward them to Jack Bradin and Brad Stocker who are on the ad hoc vision committee.

Quaker Earthcare Witness needs to become if not a household name at least a Meeting one. Quaker Earthcare Witness is not yet near the recognition level nor operational size of FCNL or AFSC for example. Surely, the cause of Earthcare is significant enough to warrant more attention and support than it currently has. Please, help raise Quaker Earthcare Witness awareness in your respective spheres.

Quaker Earthcare Witness asks that each group in our yearly meeting have a contact person for Earthcare and that the contact information is shared with the Quaker Earthcare Witness office. We here add to that suggestion that the same person be the contact for the Field Secretary for Earthcare and for the SEYM Earthcare Committee.

There is a "speakers" bureau. Someone from Quaker Earthcare Witness will come to your meeting for workshops, presentation, and in our case we have a dual role person in our Field Secretary for Earthcare. Please ask for her to come to your Meeting or group.

Our next Quaker Earthcare Witness meeting is in April in Chicago.

Please check out the Quaker Earthcare Witness display table. Those items marked as display only usually can be made available on request. Some books can go home with someone at the end of the end of the gathering.

---submitted by Brad Stocker, SEYM and MFM representative to Quaker Earthcare Witness



SEYM Earthcare Committee report for 2018 gathering.

We have had several meetings face to face at the FIBM and WIBM and on the phone.

Our current intentions are:

- to continue to work for financial and other support for the Field Secretary for Earthcare
- to begin work on eco-justice issues
- to work with the youth coordinator
- to keep all of the Meetings and worship groups within SEYM informed of our work.

We acknowledge and thank the Field Secretary for Earthcare for all her work.

We wish to remind Friends that if they wish to have the Field Secretary for Earthcare visit their meetings or if they wish to receive the newsletter, they should contact the FSE and let her know.

At the FIBM the clerk's table mentioned potential discernment on the FSE position toward it becoming a permanent position for SEYM. We wish to remind the executive committee of this and encourage this discernment.

We wish to encourage the FSE anchor committee to report on the progress of the FSE from their point of view

We will have three workshops at the SEYM gathering.

We have circulated the Climate Change Minute and one of the workshops will be on extending this to a statement, testimony, on Earthcare.

Pending further discernment in the Committee, the Climate Change Minute may be brought forward to include changes suggested by the Meetings.

We welcome Friends to join in the work of Earthcare Committee and attend our meetings.

We would like to have a contact person at each Meeting or worship group for Earthcare concerns.

---submitted by Brad Stocker, co-clerk, SEYM Earthcare Committee

Quaker United Nations Organization (QUNO)

report and recommendations to SEYM 3/29/2018

I have been SEYM's Representative to QUNO for 2017 and 2018, and this Yearly Meeting is the second at which I have been able to make a presentation about QUNO. During this whole time, I have not been able to go to New York City to the QUNO offices and Quaker House (let alone go to Geneva, Switzerland, to see those offices and the Quaker House there).

Fortunately, ever since I took on the role, I have been able to speak frequently with Eduardo Diaz, also of Miami Friends Meeting. Eduardo has been volunteering with FWCC, which is over QUNO. He has made journeys to New York and stayed at Quaker House more than once, and he has met staff at the QUNO offices there (and he hopes to go to Geneva this summer). Eduardo has freely answered questions for me, and inspired me.

I have kept in touch with QUNO for SEYM presentations by telephone and by email, and by research visits to the QUNO website. I have asked for and received written materials from QUNO to distribute last year and this year at Yearly Meeting. For SEYM in 2017 the QUNO New York office sent me a PowerPoint presentation with 15 slides. Fortunately for us, Eduardo was at SEYM last year, and he came to my presentation to assist. He provided history, personal experiences, excellent insights and additional information, as I showed the slides and added what I had learned.

This year for SEYM gathering, I received 5 more slides on the new international compact on migration, and this year Eduardo was again able to be present and assist with the presentation. I was able to show the slides from last year again, plus the new ones, and still have ample time for those present to share personal experiences and insights, ask questions and engage in helpful discussion. These contributions made for informative and enjoyable programs for SEYM Friends.

A word about QUNO from another website, Quakers In The World : <http://www.quakersintheworld.org/quakers-in-action/22/QUNO-Quaker-United-Nations-Office>

QUNO organises its work into broad areas. In 2014 these were defined as justice and prisons, human rights and refugees, peace building and prevention of violent conflict, [human impacts of climate change](#), and food & sustainability. These areas are not independent – for example, work with refugees is likely to involve concern about the violence and/or economic challenges that uprooted the refugees. Nevertheless the areas provide a useful focus, and are redefined from time to time as circumstances change. In 2017 the areas of work are much the same, except that justice and prisons work is now included in the human rights and refugees area. A previous area, now laid down because the work has been picked up by UN agencies, was international trade and development.

The new materials from QUNO this year included information about the new international compact that is in process of development by all the nations. All nations are already signatories to an international compact on the right treatment of refugees. There are practices and procedures agreed to, and expectations (often not easily or willingly fulfilled but nevertheless agreed-to in advance). Now the concern is that there are tens of thousands or even hundreds of thousands of people uprooting and moving, many across national borders, who do not meet the definition of “refugees” – they are migrants, and there is no agreed-upon framework, no universal policies and procedures, for nations to welcome migrating peoples or individuals.

The US hosted the initial call for such a compact, and nations took up the New York Declaration:

United Nations
A/RES/71/1
General Assembly
Distr.: General
3 October 2016
Seventy-first session Agenda item
Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 19 September 2016

“New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrant”

http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/RES/71/1

In the New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants, adopted in September 2016, the General Assembly decided to develop a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration. The process to develop this global compact for migration started in April 2017. The General Assembly will then hold an intergovernmental conference on international migration in 2018 with a view to adopting the global compact.

The global compact is a significant opportunity to improve the governance on migration, to address the challenges associated with today's migration, and to strengthen the contribution of migrants and migration to sustainable development. <https://refugeesmigrants.un.org/migration-compact>

The Declaration set in motion the process for drafting the compact. An initial draft compact has already been completed, and a first revision. The intention is to have a compact done as soon as possible and get it adopted.

I explained this at the workshop yesterday and shared literature from QUNO about it; I plan to provide writing for the SEYM newsletter for the further education of Friends, that we may be maximally supportive of this vital work of the Quaker United Nations Office.

(I have asked Eduardo Diaz to say a few words more after I submit this report, about support for QUNO.)

[Eduardo said Friends should go on line with QUNO and sign up for their newsletter, *In & Around the UN*, or download and print it out. He also explained the situation with funding for QUNO and asked Friends to study QUNO's work in their monthly meetings with an eye toward increasing support, individually, from monthly meetings and ultimately from SEYM.]

I made a recommendation that the concern for an increased donation from SEYM be referred to the SEYM Finance Committee; at the Clerk's direction it will be taken up by SEYM Peace and Social Concerns Committee at FIBM for discernment about how much to suggest be contributed, if there is unity on the Committee.

Here is a link to a webpage that had one of my two enclosures: <http://quno.org/resource/2017/1/briefing-friends-opportunities-and-challenges-protection-refugees-and-migrants-un>

I see online this link, for another publication, the QUNO

Review: http://www.quno.org/sites/default/files/resources/QUNO%20Review_2018_web.pdf

Respectfully submitted,

Warren Hoskins, SEYM representative to QUNO

Nominating Committee Report • SEYM Personnel 2018-2019

Slate of Officers, Committees, Representatives, & Appointees approved at Yearly Meeting 2018

OFFICERS

Yearly Meeting Clerk	Bill Carlie	Orlando	2020
Interim Business Meeting (IBM) & Executive Committee (EC) Clerk	Elaine Martin	Jacksonville	2021
YM & IBM Assistant Clerk	Nancy Corindia	Sarasota	2020
YM Recording Clerk	Richard Frechette	Ft. Myers	2021
Recording Clerk, IBM	Michael Shell	Jacksonville	2019
Assistant Recording Clerk			
Treasurer	Joel Cook	Palm Beach	2020
Membership Recorder	Ed Lesnick	Orlando	2020
Young Adult Quakers Clerk			
Young Friends Clerk			
Young Friends Recording Clerk			

TRUSTEES

.....	Jack Bradin	Palm Beach	2021
.....	Neil Anderson	Tallahassee	2020
.....	Jean Larson	Gainesville	2019
.....	Eileen Zingaro	Clearwater	2019
.....	Mike Flanery	Clearwater	2020
YM Treasurer(ex officio) ...	Joel Cook	Treasure Coast	2020

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM (CAPP)

Coordinator	Vicki Mariner	Tallahassee	2019
Trainer	Vicki Mariner	Tallahassee	2019
Trainer	Ellie Caldwell	Palm Beach	2019

COMMITTEES

Archives	Clerk	Bill Rapp	Lake Wales	2021
	.....	Phoebe Andersen	Tallahassee	2020
	.....	Neil Andersen	Tallahassee	2021
			

Earthcare	Co-clerk	Brad Stocker	Miami	2020
	Co-clerk	Bill Carlie	Orlando	2021
	.....	Jack Bradin	Palm Beach	2020
	.....	Mike Flanery	Clearwater	2020
	.....	Al Geiger	Jacksonville	2021
	.....	Harold Branam	Savannah	2019
	.....	Beverly Ward	Tampa	2019
	.....	Catherine Price	Lake Wales	2019
	.....	Bonnie Zimmer	Gainesville	2019

Faith & Practice	<i>on sabbatical until 2019</i>			
	Clerk	Phoebe Andersen	Tallahassee	2017
			

Facebook page	Mike Flanery	Clearwater	2020
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Finance	Clerk.....	Peter Schmidt	Tampa	2019
	Shawna Doran.....	Gainesville	2021
	Tom Corindia.....	Sarasota	2019
	.....	Steve Donachie	Miami	2021
	.....	Carl Hersh	Miami	2021
	Clerk, Trustees (ex officio)	Jack Bradin	Palm Beach	2021
	Asst. YM Clerk (ex officio).	Nancy Corindia.....	Sarasota	2020
	YM Secretary (ex officio)...	Vicki Carlie.....	Orlando	
	Treasurer (ex officio).....	Joel Cook	Treasure Coast.....	2020
Half-Yearly Meeting	Clerk.....	Jerry Knutson	Orlando	2021
	Registrar.....	Brian Olson	Miami	2021
Ministry on Racism	Co-clerk	Susan Taylor	Tallahassee	2020
	Co-clerk	Wendy Clarissa Geiger	Jacksonville	2020
	.....	Minerva Glidden	Orlando	2021
	Cheryl Demers-Holton.....	Gainesville.....	2020	
	.....	Beverly Ward.....	Tampa	2021
	.....	Kathy Hersh.....	Miami	2021
.....	Jane Westberg.....	Miami	2021	
Peace & Social Concerns	Co-Clerk.....	Cece Yocum	Tampa	2019
	Co-Clerk.....	Willie Hager	Jacksonville	2021
	.....	Warren Hoskins	Miami	2019
	.....	Willie Hager	Jacksonville	2019
	.....	Mercedes Soca	Miami	2019
	.....	Mike Flanery	Clearwater.....	2020
	.....	Peter Harrell.....	Gainesville	2021
	.....	Eileen Zingaro.....	Clearwater.....	2021
	.....	Phil Stone.....	Clearwater.....	2020
	.....	Caroline Kaufman	Clearwater.....	2020
	.....	Peter Ackerman	Palm Beach	2020
Publications	Clerk.....	Phoebe Andersen.....	Tallahassee	2021
	.....	Mercedes Soca	Miami	2020
Worship & Ministry	Co-Clerk.....	Clara Diaz	Miami	2020
	Co-Clerk.....	Nancy Triscritti.....	Tampa	2021
	.....	Nancy Corindia.....	Sarasota	2018
	.....	Eduardo Diaz	Miami	2020
	.....	Nancy Fennell	Ft. Myers.....	2021
	.....	Tom Fennell	Ft. Myers.....	2021
	.....	Nancyrose Logan	Sarasota	2019

YM Gathering	Co-Clerk.....	.....	.....	.....
	Co-Clerk.....	Andrea Hoskins.....	Miami	2019
	Program Coordinator	Deborah Breeden.....	Tampa	2021
	Registrar.....	Andrea Hoskins.....	Miami	2019
	Bookstore	Gerry O'Sullivan.....	Miami	2019
	.....	Joshua Killingsworth.....	Gainesville	2021
.....	Dan Strebog	St. Petersburg.....	2021	

Youth Committee	Clerk.....	Mira Tanna	Orlando	2019
		Aurelio Anderson	Tallahassee	2021
		Jennifer Mendoza	Sarasota	2021
		Kate Sundberg	Sarasota	2018
		Cecelia Yocum	Tampa	2019
		Jenn Ambrose	Gainesville	2021
	<i>Seeking new members</i>			2021

REPRESENTATIVES TO ORGANIZATIONS

American Friends Service Committee Corporation, AFSC/Philadelphia

	Chris Lazurek.....	Savannah.....	2019
	Stacey Lazurek.....	Savannah.....	2019

Friends Committee on National Legislation, FCNL/William Penn House

	Nancy Corindia	Sarasota	2020
	Lou Putney	Tampa	2020
	Aurelio Anderson	Tallahassee	2020
	Sandra Schwartz	Clearwater.....	2020
	Catharine Price	Lake Wales.....	2020
	Karen Putney	Tampa.....	2021

Friends General Conference, FGC Central Committee

	Ed Lesnick	Orlando	2018
	Kay Lesnick	Orlando	2018
	Gerry O’Sullivan.....	Miami	2019
	Minerva Glidden	Orlando	2021

Friends World Committee for Consultation - FWCC

	Clara Diaz	Miami	2019
	Eduardo Diaz	Miami	2021
	Sarah Hernandez	Sarasota	2019
	Nancyrose Logan	Sarasota.....	2020

Friends Peace Teams	Cecilia Yocum	Tampa	2021
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Florida Council of Churches	Beverly Ward.....	Tampa	2019
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Florida Impact, Contact Person	Phil Anderson.....	Tallahassee	2019
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Friends for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender & Queer Concerns - FLGBTQC

	Sara Humphrey	Orlando	2020
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Palmetto Friends Gathering	Phoebe Andersen	Tallahassee	2020
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	Neil Andersen	Tallahassee	2020
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Quaker Earthcare Witness	Jack Bradin	Palm Beach.....	2019
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	Brad Stocker.....	Miami	2019
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Quaker House	Elaine Martin.....	Jacksonville	2020
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Quaker United Nations Office (QUNO)	Warren Hoskins	Miami	2019
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APPOINTED OBSERVERS TO ORGANIZATIONS

FUM General Board Observer	Eduardo Diaz.....	Miami	2021
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<i>alternate</i>	Ellie Caldwell	Palm Beach.....	2021
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Clerk.....	Ellie Caldwell	Palm Beach	2019
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	Beverly Ward.....	Tampa	2019
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	Ed Lesnick.....	Orlando	2021
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2018 Gathering Committee Report

The Gathering Committee delegated me to provide this end of gathering report to you. There is a lot of work that goes into the holding of a Gathering. The Committee's quiet dedication in the weeks and months leading up to our time together is what created this sacred space, brought you the bookstore, checked you in and assigned your rooms, and made sure the programs happened. Andrea Hoskins, besides serving as co-clerk, once again managed the registration process. Gerry O'Sullivan managed the Bookstore. I served as Program Coordinator. And our Yearly Meeting Secretary, Vicki Carlie, probably spends more time assisting our committee than any other. There is another person - Stephanie Preston-Hughes, our co-clerk. Stephanie was called away to Ohio in the last week or two because of a family health crisis. That is why she is not here giving this report. But Stephanie worked tirelessly all year, and is still keeping tabs via e-mail, text and voice calls.

Our 2018 Attendance Summary: We had 116 registered adults and 11 children for a total of 127. This falls short of last year's registrations of 141 adults and 21 children by a total of 35. We all have a responsibility to encourage other Friends from our monthly meetings and worship groups to come to part or all of the Gathering.

2019 SEYM Gathering: Our next Gathering will be held on April 17 to April 21, 2019. The theme of the 2019 Gathering will be "Achieving Equality."

In alignment with that theme, our Walton Lecturers will be Lucy Duncan and Noah White. Lucy is the Director of Friends Relations for the American Friends Service Committee. Noah is a Quaker-raised Professor at Temple University in Philadelphia. The two together have traveled to various Yearly Meetings to facilitate conversations on issues of equality, racism, and white privilege. Friends may wish to read the article "Stumbling Forward Toward Racial Justice among Friends" co-written by Lucy and Noah in the March 2017 edition of Friends Journal. The tentative title of the Walton Lecture is "Undoing Racism as Personal and Community Practice. Lucy & Noah (as a white woman and a bi-cultural man) will tell deeply personal stories which delve into the dynamics of growing up in a system that uses us to perpetuate and receive harm in our families, communities, and society. They will explore the sometimes quite intimate way white supremacy is transmitted and the healing that has happened for each of them. They will talk about their shared work in the Quaker community to hold others as they struggle toward and resist their liberation.

Evaluation: As most of you know, following every Gathering we ask you to evaluate it: what worked, what didn't, what excited you, how the facilities were, etc. We use these evaluations to plan a better Gathering for next year. Beginning last year our Yearly Meeting Secretary e-mailed all attenders with a link to an electronic form. Using that method facilitates the compilation of the evaluations. For those of you who are not e-connected or otherwise would not complete an evaluation on-line, we have a small number of paper evaluation forms on the table in the lobby, which you can complete and leave in the box.

I cannot end this report without reminding Friends that Stephanie Preston-Hughes is ending her role as Gathering Committee co-clerk and, as you heard today from the Nominating Committee, we do not have a replacement. Andrea, our other co-clerk, cannot serve both as registrar and single clerk. This hole will have a most serious impact on the 2019 Gathering. So please help the Nominating Committee in discerning a replacement.

---Richard Frechette, for the Gathering Committee

Southeastern Yearly Meeting *of the Religious Society of Friends*

2018 Epistles

Loving Greetings to Friends Everywhere:

Southeastern Yearly Meeting gathered in Fruitland Park, Florida, Third Month 28-Fourth Month 1, 2018 with 127 participants including 11 children. The beautiful setting is a special gift that supports the much-needed respite and renewal we seek.

Early morning worship on the shore of Lake Griffin made manifest the connection to and deep love for our world that drives our work and witness for care of our earth. We felt affirmed as we head into our second year supporting our SEYM Field Secretary for Earthcare. We are grateful to Beverly Ward for the heart and hands she brings to this work.

Spirit moved bringing together our strong, corporate concern to nurture our youth programming with the leading of an SEYM member. Kody Hersh, through discernment and a process of clearness, has come to us answering his leading to serve the children and youth of SEYM. The result of this spirit led gift meeting our concern is the establishment of an SEYM Youth and Young Adult Coordinator.

In the experiential presentation, "Roots of Injustice, Seeds of Change: Toward Right Relationship with Native Peoples" friends were led through a history of oppression, dislocation and violence. We were brought to a deeper understanding of the life situation of Native Peoples today and to a starting point for seeking way forward in the work we may be called to in support of creating true community that embodies equity and justice for all. We are deeply grateful to Jane Westberg and Boulder Colorado Meeting for sharing their work and witness on the Doctrine of Discovery and attach our minute repudiating the Doctrine of Discovery.

The SEYM 54th Barnard J. Walton lecturer for 2018 was Sa'ed Atshan, Assistant Professor of Peace and Conflict Studies at Swarthmore College. He is Quaker, grew up in Palestine, and is also an LGBTQ rights activist. His lecture "Quaker Response in Turbulent Times" used a multimedia presentation and his life experience. The role Ramallah Friends school played in assuring him an open and affirming school experience as a child in an land of occupation made us realize that the school we have made contributions to is vitally important to both Muslim and Christian children. He used the Pulse nightclub massacre and the different media portrayals of the shooter to bring his theme close to home. We thank Sa'ed Atshan for sharing with us how we as Quakers can respond to systemic injustice and oppression, speaking truth to power, without demonizing the people involved in these systems.

Supporting the student led March for our Lives, SEYM Friends send with this epistle our minute speaking to the moral need for legislation and action against the epidemic of gun violence. We stand with the students saying "Never Again."

Our daily worship sharing was guided by both readings and queries that offered blessed food for deep reflection and sharing. Our worship grounded meetings for business allowed us to address the ongoing responsibility of working together to strengthen the processes, structure and foundation of SEYM.

Our time together was spirit-led and renewing. We are grateful for our time in fellowship.



William E. Carlie Jr., Clerk

Young Adult Quaker (YAQ) Epistle 2018

The young adults arrived Friday morning, and participated in the ropes course with the teens. Through teamwork and resilience, we conquered the Giant's Ladder. After a day of reconnecting with long-time Friends, we joined intergenerational Friends in the spirit of dance.

Saturday morning, we were awakened to the hardships of our Native Peoples during the workshop presentation. After lunch, we met with Friends at the intergenerational 'Capture the Flag,' which, for the first time in several years, did not have a controversial finish. At the Walton Lecture, we heard from Sa'ed Atshan about what it means to be a Quaker in these turbulent times. After that impactful speech, we broke down what we witnessed in a discussion at the campfire with dessert from Steak 'n' Shake.

Reflecting on this past weekend, it was a time of truth, spirit, and reconciliation. As we continue into our daily paths, we will continue to hold this community in the light.

Until next year, SEYM!

Teen Epistle 2018

Dear Friends everywhere,

We the teen program of the Southeastern Yearly Meeting found ourselves only two teens this year. Due to our numbers, we decided to wait on selecting a clerk until the next time we convene as a group. Last year we decided that our theme for this year would be Water. This was, and still is, because there are a number of issues throughout Florida that concern water. These reasons still stand, and so does our focus. We will continue to focus on water issues for this upcoming year, up to and including Yearly Meeting.

This year we followed our theme by attending a workshop on "Water and Climate Justice" offered by our wonderful Field Secretary for Earthcare, in addition to having a conversation about nonviolent direct action. We also held tradition by joining the wider gathering in attending the Walton Lecture, this year on "Quaker Response in Turbulent Times," presented by Sa'ed Atshan.

We also supported the yearly meeting in hiring a Youth Coordinator. Our hopes for this position are many, but our biggest excitement is forming a program that can survive multiple years and be delivered even after the current coordinator leaves the position. We thank our yearly meeting for supporting us as we take steps with them to develop a program that will help develop future generations of youth.

Youth Epistle 2018

Greetings to Friends everywhere,

The Youth program at SEYM began on Thursday morning with an activity led by Elizabeth Croce. She read 'The Other Way to Listen' and we participated in a Setan watch that involved learning how to listen in new ways. Then, we were joined by Gary Arthur for animal yoga and were led by Kathy Hersh in an activity that used pipe cleaners to learn about each other's favorite things. After lunch, members of the Youth program went swimming at the neighboring Warren Willis camp until dinnertime. Afterwards, we participated in intergenerational bystander with Cece Yocum where we learned how to peacefully stand up for others.

Friday morning, the Juniors joined the Teens for a fun morning at the high ropes course while the Young and Wee Friends went on a nature walk and took part in a leaf rubbing activity. On Friday evening Gary Arthur led everyone in an intergenerational dance.

On Saturday morning, Elizabeth presented a faith and play lesson called 'Listening for God'. Then we went to Warren Willis camp for archery and came together as a community to celebrate a new Friend's sixth birthday.

We are now looking forward to the annual Easter egg hunt this afternoon.

With Love, The SEYM Youth program: Priya, Bronwyn, Audrey, JJ, Daniel, Kian, Cassandra, Magdalena, Hoyt