

Southeastern Yearly Meeting

of the Religious Society of Friends

Yearly Business Meeting 2026

1 to 5 Fourth Month 2026

NUMBERED MINUTES

- 26YBM01** SEYM authorizes an *ad hoc* committee to determine the scope, contents, and publication of the annual directory. Susan Wade will serve *ex officio* on this *ad hoc* committee. Phoebe Andersen has volunteered as a member of the Archives Committee and John Pelozzi has volunteered as a member of the Publications Committee. Other members will be appointed by the clerk. The committee will make a report and recommendations to the June Executive Committee.
APPROVED.
- 26YBM02** In the absence of Liz Dykes, Vicki Carlie will serve as Recording Clerk for Plenary 4.
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- 26YBM03** In the absence of Liz Dykes, Georgeanna Kiser will serve as Recording Clerk for the Plenaries 5 and 6.
APPROVED
- 26YBM04** Joel Cook and Ruth Gerhard volunteered to serve as the Epistle Committee.
APPROVED.
- 26YBM05** SEYM approves the nominating committee report for 2026-2027 as presented in the documents in advance for the terms detailed in the report.
APPROVED
- 26YBM06** SEYM approves the budget for FY 2026-2027 as presented in the first plenary and submitted in the documents in advance for Winter Interim Business Meeting.
APPROVED
- 26YBM07** Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses deep gratitude for the vital and powerful message given by Leslie Manning to carry us forward with hope into our future. Her faithful gift of ministry was clearly present as she visited with Friends individually and among small groups. We have been blessed to share this time with her.
APPROVED
- 26YBM08** Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses gratitude to Day Spring Episcopal Conference Center for their fine hospitality and beautiful campus. Their care and support created a positive experience for all at the Gathering.
APPROVED

- 26YBM09** Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends gives unending thanks to Susan Wade for all her work as Administrative Secretary, especially in her preparations for and work throughout our Yearly Meeting Gathering.
APPROVED
- 26YBM10** Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses a well of gratitude for the hard work of the Gathering Committee for a spirit-filled Yearly Meeting, especially in the compressed time period for preparation.
APPROVED
- 26YBM11** Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends gives thanks to the Gathering Committee and all the volunteers that made bringing much more of this Gathering on-line to serve Friends who are unable to attend in person.
APPROVED
- 26YBM12** The 2026 Yearly Meeting Epistle composed by Joel Cook and Ruth Gerhard was read and accepted.
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- 26YBM13** The 2026 Yearly Meeting Youth Epistle was read and accepted.
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