

SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING
MEETING FOR WORSHIP WITH A CONCERN FOR BUSINESS
April 22, 2018

Clerk: James Gray

Recording Clerk: John Robinson

Twenty-one Friends met at North Shore Friends Meeting for the Quarter's Spring business meeting, which followed worship, lunch and a program on earth stewardship. Clerk James Gray opened the meeting with silent worship.

2018-04-01. Friends approved John Robinson to serve as interim recording clerk for today's meeting.

2018-04-02. Friends approved the minutes of the October 22, 2017 meeting with one minor correction.

2018-04-03. Treasurer's Report. Sarah Spencer presented the FY 2018 year-end treasurer's report, which was accepted.

2018-04-04. Draft Budget. Sarah Spencer presented the FY 2019 draft budget. Friends approved the budget, with much gratitude.

2018-04-05. Friends expressed their appreciation for Sarah's years of service as Treasurer for the Quarter.

2018-04-06. Funds Allocation Committee. James Gray presented the Funds Allocation Committee report.

Friends approved the following grants:

- Harold D. Weaver, BLACK FIRE: AN AFRICAN AMERICAN QUAKER SEEKER-ACTIVIST IN A WHITE-SUPREMACIST NATION, \$600
- Emily Philbrook, Friends of Kakamega (Kenya), \$750
- Beth Collea, Nurturing Quaker Community with Diego Navarro, \$1,000.
- Christine Green, Outreach and Digital Ministry, \$1,000
- Nils Klinkenberg, Living Our Values, the 2018 Speaker Series at the Beacon Hill Friends House, \$1,000

It was noted that the amounts requested will be covered by available funds.

2018-04-06. Denominational Endorsement for Rachel Guaraldi. Frederick Martin read the endorsement, which was passed by Beacon Hill Friends Meeting. This endorsement continues the existing endorsement for Rachel as she completes her theological studies. Friends directed the Clerk to endorse this minute on behalf of Salem Quarterly Meeting.

2018-04-07. Naming Committee. Beth Collea reported the recommendations of the Naming Committee. The Naming Committee comprises Beth Collea, Judy Goldberger, James Gray, Nils Klinkenberg, Suzanna Schell, Will Taber, and Morgan Wilson. Beth expressed gratitude for the hard work of the Naming Committee.

Officers proposed for next Fiscal Year are:

Presiding Co-clerks: Kristina Keefe-Perry and Kathleen Wooten

Recording Clerk: Callid Keefe-Perry

Treasurer: John Robinson

Former Clerk: James Gray

Clerk of Funds Allocation Committee: Morgan Wilson

Funds Allocation Committee: Helen Carpenter

Representative to Beacon Hill Friends House Corporation: Minga Claggett-Borne

Nominating Committee: Scott Hellen

Friends approved the proposed nominations, pending completion of the clearness process for Kathleen Wooten.

2018-04-08. Naming Committee. Beth Collea requested changing the name of Nominating Committee to Gifts and Leadings. Friends approved the change of name.

2018-04-09. Travel Minute. Bruce Neumann read the Travel Minute from Fresh Pond Meeting for Melody Brazo. Friends approved endorsing the Travel Minute and forwarding it to Permanent Board.

2018-04-10. Minute on Criminal Justice Reform. Bruce Neumann presented a Minute on Criminal Justice Reform, which was passed by Fresh Pond Meeting on December 23, 2017. Friends approved endorsing the Minute and requested that the Clerk forward it to the Yearly Meeting with a note suggesting that the yearly meeting change the reference to Massachusetts to New England if they decide to take up this minute.

2018-04-10. Concerns and Announcements.

Nils Klinkenberg requested that copies of Quarter documents be made available in electronic form. The Clerk agreed to post documents on the Quarter's web site.

2018-04-11. Minute of Appreciation. The Meeting approved a minute of Appreciation for James Gray's four years of service as Clerk of Salem Quarter. James expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve and to grow in the position.

The meeting ended in silence purposing to meet again during October, 2018 at a location to be determined.

James Gray, presiding clerk

John Robinson, interim recording clerk