



Salt Lake Monthly Meeting Newsletter

3rd Month

March, 2015

Top News

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Business Meeting Proposed Minutes

1st Month Business Meeting

Present: Sue Ellen Rifken, Dick Loomis, Victor Miele, Julian Cosman-Cook, Rand Hirschi, Richard Smith, Brian Martin

Minute from previous meeting was reviewed.

Old Business: Dick Loomis presented a proposal for remodeling the kitchen. A friend raised a concern that the meeting is and has been dependent on large donations for specific projects. A friend spoke in favor of improving our gathering place. A friend spoke in favor of involving more friends in the process

of improving the meetinghouse. A friend spoke to calling the “donation” a “gift”. Donations may have expectations while gifts usually do not. Each friend has gifts that may or may not be material. A friend spoke in favor of including as many volunteers as practical. A friend spoke favor of having a larger conversation on how to handle donations/gifts. A friend spoke in favor of participating himself.

Minute: Friends will move forward with kitchen renovations as proposed by Dick Loomis with the intent of increasing the community process as much as possible. Those in the meeting who are interested in participating in the proposed renovation should contact Dick Loomis or Randy Holiday.

Ministry & Counsel: The report was read. A friend spoke in favor of a query to address the SLC meeting and the larger community. A friend suggested that we have a meeting for listening on the first First Day in February. A friend requested that we clarify the relationship between the SLC meeting and IMYM.

Peace & Social Concerns: No report.

House Committee: No report.

Programs: No report. There was a program planned by the clerk on the next first day meeting.

Treasurer: No written report. The clerk expressed appreciation for the discussion. We continue to not meet our monthly expenses. The clerk has sent out a statement to each member for their financial contributions.

Nominating: Meeting was canceled, but communication took place.

Library/Archivist: No Report.

First Day School: No Report. Charlene has discussed with the clerk about potential activities.

Newsletter: No Report.

New Business: There was a proposal for tuning the piano in exchange for a free meeting of the cellists. The meeting approved. A friend raised a concern regarding the relationships between IMYM and SLC monthly meeting. In the past there has been a single representative from the meeting. In recent months, there have been other people in contact with IMYM. Clarification may be needed. There is some confusion regarding the new committee structure. The clerk will speak with individuals in the SLC meeting about their role in IMYM. A friend suggested that the clerk inquire how representatives from the monthly meeting are chosen and report back about the committee structure and who is on it and what their expectations and roles are.

Report of the Treasurer

Treasurer Report March 8, 2015

The SLMM balance for checking is \$15,660 and saving \$1085.

As I mentioned in February, several people who have made monthly automatic donations in the past do not appear to be doing so anymore. Please check that you have told your bank to continue in 2015.

Donations are down from last year and we are eating into the reserve built up by Segoe Lilly School tenancy.

Quaker Meetinghouse Fund - no change other than interest.

Suellen Riffkin
Treasurer

Nominating Committee

Here are the current committees and their conveners:

<u>Last Modified:</u> <u>October 1, 2014</u>	<u>Term</u> <u>length</u>	<u>Serving July 2014</u>
Clerk	2	Brian Martin
Recording Clerk	2	Richard Smith
Treasurer	2	Suellen Riffkin
Ministry & Council	3	Victor Miele
		Rand Hirschi
		Russ Fish
House Committee	3	Pat Fish
		Randy Holladay

Peace & Social	3	Scott Cowan Rosanna Hopper Jenni Ksiazek
First Day School	2	Charlene Weir
Program Coordinator	2	Melodee Lambert
Library/Archivist	2	Rand Hirschi Rosanna Hopper
Newsletter	2	Victor Miele
IMYM Representative	2	Randy Holladay
UFF SLMM Representative	2	Rand Hirschi
Calendar		Mike Tapp
WebMaster	2	Mike Tapp
Listserve	3	Darlene Johnson
Quaker Meetinghouse Fund		Randy Holladay TBD Suellen Riffkin
<hr/> Nominating	3	Begin term January 2015 Randy Holladay TBD Suellen Riffkin

House Committee

The current hospitality schedule is on the bulletin board downstairs in the meetinghouse.

Ministry and Council

Minutes of 02/02/2015 Meeting and Report to Meeting for Business:

Ministry and Counsel (M&C) met February 4, 2015— Victor Miele and Rand Hirschi attended.

State of the Meeting Report:

A Meeting for Listening was held Feb. 1, with several Friends and all members of M&C attending. A draft summary report of the meeting is attached to this report. Friends are encouraged to read it with a mind for accuracy and omissions if they were at the Listening Meeting. As it was prepared in preparation for a State of the Meeting Report, friends are encouraged to let Victor, Russ or Rand know of any matters, spiritual or otherwise that they would like to see included or otherwise presented. The listening meeting brought a few practical matters to M&C's attention. A wish for carpooling arrangements was brought up. M&C would like this discussed at business meeting with a view to its practical implementation, if possible. M&C will renew the practice of announcing at the rise of meeting that new attenders might approach an M&C member or other identified members with questions about the faith and practice of Quakers. M&C proposes that in furtherance of renewal and refreshment with Quaker traditions and practices, a member of the committee give a short presentation about these matters once a month at the rise of meeting. M&C would like Meeting's approval of this practice.

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Respectfully submitted,
Rand Hirschi
Convenor