

Monongalia Friends Meeting

P.O. Box 441, 648 E Brockway, Morgantown, WV 26507

Meeting for Worship every Sunday at 11; Potluck First Sundays at 12;

Meeting for Business Third Sundays at 12:30

06/02/19 Potluck lunch following Meeting for Worship

06/16/19 Meeting for Worship for business

7/29/19 – 04/04/19 BYM Annual Session: “Quaker Tools for the Journey”, Hood College, Frederick, MD. First time attendee certificates available.

09/20/19 - 09/22/19 Fall Gathering, WV Friends, Bishop Hodges Retreat Center

Queries on Stewardship of the Earth

- Do you seek to preserve the beauty and balance of God’s world?
- How do we use the world’s resources with care and consideration for future generations and with respect for all life?
- Do you endeavor to understand the detrimental changes affecting earth systems and humanity?
- Do you seek to meet your needs in a sustainable way by preserving resources, enhancing the health of the earth, and by protecting the future?
- Do we intentionally explore and live our conviction that there is that of God in all creation?

Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business, Fifth First Day

Present: Catherine Tall, Clerk, Becky Rodd, Lena Syphers, John Lozier, James Syphers, Recording Clerk.

Meeting opened with silence.

Minutes of the fourth month Meeting for Worship for Business were approved as read and received.

Buckhannon Preparative Meeting has asked for our blessing to move forward toward becoming a Monthly Meeting. We agreed that they have our blessing to contact Baltimore Yearly Meeting about the process of becoming a Monthly Meeting.

Jerry Knutson, a member of our Meeting, requested to become a Friend in Residence and stay in our meetinghouse during eighth and ninth month. He has offered to conduct a wide variety of workshops. His request was approved.

One of the groups using our meetinghouse is wondering if we would like to do community service projects with them. We are going to explore getting to know each other by inviting them to our first of the month Meeting for Worships and potlucks during the summer. Catherine will send them an invitation.

Work of the Meeting During Summer was discussed since Co-Clerk Catherine Tall and Treasurer Jim Siekmeier will be away. Co-Clerk Jeffrey Hilsabeck will return during sixth month and will be here for meeting for worship for business. Lois asked if we could discuss a means of keeping the meeting house clean. We will consider this in the fall. Members and attenders will take care of things this summer. Catherine will contact the groups who use the meetinghouse and ask them to adopt a part of the meetinghouse or grounds as a project and let them know that they should contact John Lozier, chair of the house and grounds committee, about any of these projects.

Regarding the fire protection system, Catherine will contact our insurance company to find out what is covered now and what we could do that would lower our bill.

BYM annual session first time attender certificates are available to any who would like one. They cover two days and nights at no cost.

Planning the West Virginia Fall Gathering, which is our turn to plan, is moving along, and follow-up details will be taken care of next month.

Pastoral Care: Personal care was discussed, and we are all going to be held in the Light.

The meeting closed in silence

Recording Clerk, James Syphers