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# Minutes of Lake Erie Yearly Meeting Representative Meeting April 2, 2011

## Hosted by Ann Arbor Friends Meeting

### RM11 - 1 Opening Worship, Reading of Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting

The session opened with the Assistant Clerk reading from the epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting, out of the silence of the opening worship. The theme of BYM was Leadings for Today: Lessons from History, addressing racism. How can we learn from the struggles with racism in the Religious Society of Friends and in our wider culture? Lectures and plays during the Yearly Meeting emphasized the difference each of us can make, and how attuned we need to be to the struggles and suffering of others, how we need to address our own fears and struggles regarding racism and bigotry to become ready to address racism in ourselves, our meetings and in the wider Quaker community.

### RM11 - 2 Recording Clerk

Peter Wood (Red Cedar) was approved as temporary recording clerk.

### RM09 - 4 Roll Call

The calling of the roll of Friends from constituent meetings and groups gave the following count:

Akron	2	Kalamazoo	4
Ann Arbor	10	Kent	0
Athens	2	Mid-Ohio Valley	0
Birmingham	1	Monongalia	0
Broadmead	8	North Columbus	3
Cleveland	5	Oberlin	0
Delaware	0	Pine River	2
Detroit	3	Pittsburgh	5
Grand Rapids	1	Red Cedar	2
Granville	1	Wooster	3
Holland	0	Worship Groups	0

### RM11 - 4 Guidelines for Conduct

The Clerk reviewed LEYM's Guidelines for Conduct in meeting for worship with attention to business.

### RM11 - 5 Executive Committee

Peggy Daub, Clerk (Ann Arbor), reported. The Executive Committee met twice. Minutes will be on the website. A streamlined procedure for approving minutes from Executive Committee was outlined. The full report follows:

### Executive Committee Report

1. The LEYM Executive Committee met Oct. 30 at Kendal of Oberlin and April 1 in Ann Arbor. The minutes from the October meeting will soon be posted at the LEYM website. In the interests of transparency so that all will know activities of the Executive Committee sooner, we will in future approve during the course of the meeting any decisions made there, and approve the overall minutes afterward by email or conference call with the intention of having minutes available on the website by six weeks after the meeting.

2. At the October meeting we agreed that the money we put aside to send representatives to the FWCC triennials can instead be used to send representatives to the FWCC 6th World Conference of Friends. [Affirm by the group.]
3. We affirmed that the purpose of the Peace Committee is to use our amassed strength to become a stronger voice for peace, and encouraged that committee to reexamine their purpose and look for ways in which they might collaborate with or add strength to the efforts of monthly meetings.
4. We read the evaluations of the 2010 Annual Sessions (collected and tabulated by the Adult Program Committee) and were much heartened by the increased attendance and the many positive comments. We concluded that it was too early to evaluate fully the effects of changing the timing of our Annual Sessions, given that attendance in 2010 was probably influenced heavily by offering free attendance to children and youth, and by having the FGC Gathering in our region.

### **RM11 - 6 Clerk's report**

Peggy Daub, Clerk, reported. Monongalia Monthly Meeting has requested a transfer of membership to Baltimore Yearly Meeting. The request was **approved**. Buckhannon Preparative Meeting, which is under the care of Monongalia Monthly Meeting, also requested a transfer of membership to Baltimore Yearly Meeting. This request was also **approved**. The Clerk was asked to express to both meetings our ongoing good wishes for their welfare. The Clerk brought forward the following Naming Committee: Don Nagler (Pine River) and Eric Starbuck (Pittsburgh). Friends **approved**. The full report follows:

### **Clerk's Report**

1. The Clerk was asked whether LEYM has 501(c)3 status as a nonprofit organization. With assistance of various Friends, I found that we are a tax exempt organization because we are a group of "ecclesiastical organizations," but we have not filed paperwork that would give us 501(c)3 status. We have not had a need to file for this status thus far, but recognize that it may be useful to do so in the future.
2. Cari Burke, who has been leading our very successful High School Teen Retreat Program for almost two years, has submitted her resignation because she will begin graduate school out of state in the fall. Merry Stanford has agreed to clerk the search committee for a replacement.
3. We are looking into doing a consultation focusing on youth programs both in our monthly meetings and within yearly meeting programs within the next 12 to 18 months.
4. The date of the next Representative Meeting will be Saturday, March 31, 2012. The clerk will welcome an invitation from a monthly meeting to host this event.
5. The clerk has received requests from Monongalia Monthly Meeting and Buckhannon Preparative Meeting to leave our Yearly Meeting and become part of the Baltimore Yearly Meeting, which is much closer to them geographically. Baltimore Yearly Meeting has agreed to accept them as members.
6. The clerk has asked the following people to serve on a Naming Committee, which will bring forward names for the Nominating Committee at our Annual Sessions: Don Nagler and Eric Starbuck.

### **RM11 - 7 High School Teen Retreat Program**

Meaghan Diffenderfer (Cleveland) and Brady Connor (Ann Arbor) reported. **The following minute of appreciation for Cari Burke's service was approved:** Lake Erie Yearly Meeting is grateful for the dedicated work from Cari Burke with the High School Teen Retreat Program for the past two program years. Cari has been able to build a safe community for Young Friends, has nurtured leadership among Young Friends, and has nurtured in them seeds of Quaker Faith. We are grateful for Cari's dedication to the spiritual nurture of Young Friends and we will miss her. The full report follows:

## High School Teen Retreat Program Report

Young Friends met at Olney Friends School in Barnesville last weekend for the third teen retreat for the year, the first being held in Pittsburgh and the second in Illinois for the Quake that Rocked the Midwest.

Friends were greeted Friday evening by a gymnastics performance held yearly by Olney. On Saturday, a workshop focusing on peace was held with much thanks to Scilla Wahrhaftig from Pittsburgh. The first half of the day focused on different forms of violence and on how violence and non-violence differ in our community. The second half of the day focused on social violence and institutional violence. A film shown on solitary confinement in American jails got the teens thinking on ways they could help make the public more aware of the social injustices faced. On Sunday, the young Friends were grateful to attend Stillwater Meeting, and later to help the local community by building a playground at a daycare center. Friends completed many tasks, from moving gravel to putting together play sets.

The teens are grateful for this opportunity to meet and visit with one another, and the committee seeks support from meetings to help transport young friends to these retreats as well as to serve as FAPs (Friendly Adult Presences).

### RM11 - 8 Adult & Family Program Committee

Becky Morehouse (Ann Arbor) reported. The theme of the Yearly Meeting sessions will be "Mindful Consumption as a Spiritual Practice," with Sally Weaver Sommer (Broadmead) as the plenary speaker. The full report follows:

## Adult & Family Program Committee Report

Theme for 2011: Mindful Consumption as a Spiritual Practice

We will look at the many ways we "consume" our time and resources.

- How do we determine what we need from what we want?
- In what ways do we consume food, time, environmental resources, and technology?
- How do we structure our time for spiritual development and personal relationships, especially our families?
- How might mindful consumption help us lead a more simple life?

Speaker: We are delighted to announce that Sally Weaver Sommer (Broadmead) has accepted our invitation to be our Plenary Speaker. Her title will be "On being called to lesser things." The AYF will again plan an activity to follow.

Bible: Pat Dewitt Thomas (ESR) will return to lead Bible Study. As a trial, we are adding 2 additional times (repeated from the early morning) during spiritual practice hours on Fri and Sat.

Worship Sharing will be offered on Fri. and Sat. mornings for those who sign up.

Workshops: tying into the theme

- Afterwords or Q&A - Sally Weaver Sommer (Broadmead)
- FCNL - Deanna Boyd on effective lobbying
- Mindful Parenting - Jenn Seif & Scot Miller (GR)
- Earthcare - LEYM panel on eating mindfully/locally with Sarah Lenz (AYF), Jane Downes, Jon Sommer, Clémence Ravaçon-Mershon
- A meditation practice - Jerry Knutson (Pittsburgh). Based on: "Be still in Thy own Mind & Spirit from Thine own Thoughts" - G. Fox
- Healing - Richard Lee (Red Cedar)

Sat. Evening Intergenerational: music, dancing & refreshments

7:00-8:00 pm - Paul Tinkerhess (Ann Arbor), singing

8:00-8:30 pm – refreshments

8:30-9:30 pm – Rosemary Coffey (Pittsburgh), folk dancing

### **RM11 - 9 Youth & Children Program Committee**

Olwen Pritchard (Broadmead) reported. Ongoing needs were described. More than 30 children are expected to attend the Annual Meeting. The full report follows:

### **Youth & Children Program Committee Report**

1. We need
  - an early elementary assistant to work with Conleth;
  - a High School leader;
  - maybe someone for infants and toddlers.
2. We need people to chaperone children to swimming/bowling/ recycling. People who are drivers also.
3. Please bring money to buy snacks and crafts from the children's program. The proceeds will support a service project.
4. We will have a meeting of all children, their parents, and program workers on Friday morning and Saturday morning to highlight what will be happening each day.

### **RM11 - 10 Arrangements & Site**

Jon Sommer (Broadmead) gave the report. This year's Annual Meeting will be held at Bluffton University July 28-31, 2011. The 2012 Annual Meeting will be held at Bluffton University, July 26-29. Physical arrangements will be much the same as last year. Adults on average will need to spend around \$162 to attend the yearly sessions in 2011.

### **RM11 - 11 Treasurer's report**

Eric Starbuck (Pittsburgh) reported. Most meetings have paid their annual contributions and LEYM is "in good shape." The Youth Activity Fund has over \$10,000 in it. The full report is found on pp. 22-24, below.

### **RM11 - 12 Finance Committee**

Sally Weaver Sommer (Broadmead) reported. We have successfully reduced the General Fund balance, as planned. We will continue to evaluate balances in each of the funds. Three recommendations were made: 1) Increase the registration fee by \$3. 2) Children should continue to come free. 3) Remove the discount for first-time attenders. These recommendations were discussed. Continuing the discount for first-time attenders could require additional increases in fees for returning attenders. While the Representative Meeting supports the idea of encouraging first-time attenders, we also do not wish to unduly burden returning attenders. Since the Finance Committee is empowered to set the registration fee, we ask the committee to take the sense of this discussion back to its deliberations. **The Representative Meeting approved empowering the Finance Committee to set the degree of discount for first-time attenders to LEYM sessions.** There was also concern expressed about making sure that there is sufficient financial support for LEYM representatives to attend the FWCC World Conference of Friends. The full report follows:

### **Finance Committee Report**

Last year I reported that we had a goal to decrease our General Fund balance. I can report this year that we are achieving our goal. Our expenses this year have been about \$4000 more than our income. Over the next months, and at our July meeting in particular, we want to analyze more fully the appropriate level of balances in each of our funds.

We were encouraged to see that most of our meetings have made their annual contributions and will encourage those who have not to do so soon.

The clerk of Finance Committee will work with the three representatives to the FWCC World Conference to determine how the LEYM funds will be distributed. LEYM will pay the registration fees that are due by the end of this month.

The financial report of our 2010 Annual Meeting was never put into the Fall Bulletin as is requested by the Yearly Meeting. It will be included in the Spring edition. We intended to spend down the balance in the Annual Meeting Fund, and we did so by about \$3000. Significant numbers are \$1,341.74 for first timers, \$2,122.50 for service discounts, \$323.00 for need-based scholarships, and \$2,839.55 for children. We made the following decisions: (1) To increase registration fees from \$37 and \$47 to \$40 and \$50. (2) To continue the practice of not charging any fees for children and to transfer \$3000 from the Youth Activities Fund to the Annual Meeting Fund to cover the cost. (3) To recommend not giving a 1/3 discount for first timers (doing so would require us to raise the registration fee by \$15). (4) To empower the registrar to make decisions about need-based scholarships and unusual requests for discounts in consultation with the Treasurer and clerk of Finance when needed.

The committee reviewed the 2010 budget, with an eye for changes that need to be made. The following questions were raised:

- Do we need to keep the contract worker budget line as high as it is?
- Is the travel budget at the appropriate level?
- Can we decrease the size of the publication budget line?

The Youth Activity Fund has ample funds. We need to make this known.

### **RM11 - 13 Peace Committee**

Nancy Taylor (Ann Arbor) reported. Suggestions for changes in the Policies and Procedures manual to reflect the Peace Committee's focus were outlined. The committee intends to increase its communication with monthly meetings. The full report follows.

### **Peace Committee Report**

Three of us met (Mary Igoe Meyers, Bette Ford, Nancy Taylor) and agreed that we hope to emphasize more work directly with the monthly meetings and worship groups. We suggest a change in the draft Policies and Procedures manual, Peace Committee section, to say:

#### b) Responsibilities:

1. To exchange information with monthly meetings about actions and concerns on behalf of peace
2. To engage monthly meetings and worship groups in consideration about future corporate witness in matters of peace
3. To help the Yearly Meeting express corporate concerns about peace to policy makers, the media, and other organizations.

We shared what our individual meetings are doing in our peace committees and groups, and noted that several meetings also include "social justice" or "social concerns" with their peace work. We feel clear that the yearly meeting Peace Committee needs to concentrate on peace issues.

We have made plans to contact every LEYM monthly meeting and worship group to ask what their peace concerns are, what actions they are taking, and so on. We will either phone, email, or write a letter to ask the following questions (among others):

- Do you have an active peace committee?
- Do you have active "peace workers"? What are they working on?
- How can we all take a broad view, rather than responding to each crisis?
- How can we communicate that view to our communities effectively?

There may be other questions we develop. We hope to move quickly and often in these connections with the 28 meetings and worship groups.

Finally, FCNL will be sending Deanna Boyd, Legislative Program Assistant in Nuclear Disarmament, to run a workshop at AM combining lobbying skills with some topic of current concern. Deanna has said that she can present material on any FCNL topic. We ask Friends to contact Nancy Taylor (netaylor@tds.net) if you have thoughts about whether the topic should be Nuclear Disarmament, Our Nation's Checkbook, or Peaceful Prevention of Deadly Conflict.

#### **RM11 - 14 Ad hoc Policies and Procedures Committee**

Jeff Cooper (Ann Arbor) reported. Jeff outlined the history of the Ad hoc Committee's work. They ask representatives to take copies of proposed changes back to monthly meetings for e-mail feedback to the committee. The revised version is also available on the LEYM website. The deadline for comments is June 1, 2011. They hope to be able to bring a final revised version for approval at the Annual Sessions in July.

#### **RM11 - 15 Earthcare Committee**

Judy Greenberg (Broadmead) reported. The committee will give a workshop at the Annual Meeting in July, and will explore the influence it wishes to have regarding the Advices and Queries being formulated for LEYM. The full report follows:

### **Earthcare Committee Report**

The LEYM Earthcare Committee reviewed plans for a workshop which will focus on the complexities of eating from local food sources. Below is the description:

The LEYM Locavore: Eating for the Planet

A surprisingly powerful everyday thing we can do for the earth is to eat food grown locally. Four LEYM Friends in different circumstances - Clémence the rural small farmer/intensive gardener, Sarah the urban front yard chicken/veg. gardener and gourmet cook, Jon the small town community garden manager, vegetarian/natural food store owner, and Jane the suburban non-gardener and lifelong local forager - will share the complexities of their particular ways of "eating locally." The practicalities involved, the spiritual rewards, the compromises, tips, and surprises - this workshop promises a vital, exciting exchange of information for all who care about the earth and like to eat!

We also discussed ways our meetings could be reaching out to Yearly Meeting youth. This comes out of a concern that public schools are apparently focusing very little on involving children in nature, to the point where we are seeing children afraid to put their hands in dirt. The group plans to collect samples of various earthcare curricula in the hope we can recommend a few to our meetings for use in their First Day Schools. The group listed several environmental organizations by or for children which we'd like to pass on to our meetings also. Phil Volk also volunteered to set up an Earthcare site for young people on Facebook if we would help with information.

We discussed again how to get out a newsletter and/or other ways of having an online presence for purposes of sharing what our meetings are doing environmentally. A suggestion was made for us to set up an LEYM Earthcare listserv site that would be accessible to all in Yearly Meeting.

An excellent wide-ranging conversation about needs and possibilities for action in our Yearly Meeting area was held.

A meeting is planned in Toledo for Saturday, April 23, specifically to review the new draft of YM Advices and Queries, particularly the Earthcare section. Any Friends interested in joining us for that meeting are very welcome. Ask Phil Clappitt or Judy Greenberg for further information.

#### **RM11 - 16 Ministry & Nurture Committee**

Elaine Wilson (Ann Arbor) reported. The report focused on the Spiritual Formation program of the Yearly Meeting, on suggestions for making the program at annual sessions more spiritually enriching, and on responses by monthly meetings to the Advices and Queries being formulated for LEYM by the Ad hoc committee for Advices and Queries. The Ministry & Nurture Committee recommends that a summary of monthly meeting responses be posted to the website. The full report follows:

### **Ministry & Nurture Committee Report**

1. Last summer we approved a scholarship request from Jerry Knutson and it was granted in the fall. He is now travelling in the ministry and we believe he is available to meetings for consultations.

2. Report on Spiritual Formation:

There was a fall retreat in Michigan at the Weber Center in Adrian, Sept 10-23 2010. 26 people participated. It was led by Patricia Thomas of Campus Friends Meeting, Wilmington, Ohio. The Theme was "Companions Along the Way." Participants were from Ann Arbor, Birmingham, Broadmead, Kalamazoo, Pine River, and Red Cedar monthly meetings. Some participants felt that there was not enough small group work at the Fall Retreat, and hope that Patricia Thomas will be apprised of this to perhaps change the format of the Spring Retreat.

The spring retreat is scheduled for May 7 at Red Cedar Friends Meeting. The fall retreat for the 2011/2012 Spiritual Formation program is scheduled for Sept. 9-11 at the Weber Retreat Center in Adrian, Michigan.

3. A humble suggestion from M&N for the Program Committee: To encourage attendance and participation from newcomers to LEYM Annual Meeting we suggest increasing the amount of worship or spiritually deepening programming, and shortening or conducting business in a way that is more about worship. We are aware this is a difficult proposition, but likely key to bring in and retain new and younger faces.
4. Summary of responses to LEYM Query/Queries:

There was a wide range and difference from the eight out of twenty-two monthly meetings responding. It is worth reflecting on how few meetings responded.

There was a wide disparity in meetings' use of the queries: some don't use them corporately at all. Some use them before business meeting, or monthly in meeting for worship. Some meetings publish them in monthly meeting newsletters.

There was likewise a variety amongst individuals in their use of the queries. Some keep them handy at bedside for daily reflection in the morning, some read them online at work. Others don't use them at all, and indeed some find them too intrusive.

From LEYM Ministry and Nurture comes the reflection that with so few birthright Friends in the YM, the creation of this set of queries is critical. The process of doing this is excellent.

Several meetings expressed discomfort with the way in which Advices and Queries were blended. A number of meetings felt that the focus of the Queries should be more on the "we" than on the "I." The assumption that there is an individual out there separate from the corporate is problematic. Quakerism is a corporate rather than an individualistic religion.

There is a feeling that the language used in these Queries is sometimes academic and somewhat indirect. Meetings expressed a desire for more plain speech. Perhaps some more of the language drawing from long experience of older Faith and Practices could be adopted. One meeting felt that #32 on Life's Challenges was particularly valuable. Another meeting felt that #56 on Education needed expansion to reflect modern scholarship and other religious traditions.

M&N feels it would be beneficial to the spiritual health of the monthly meetings in LEYM and



to LEYM as a whole if this summary could be published on the website.

The reports from all meetings responding will be forwarded to the Ad hoc Queries and Advices Committee.

### **RM11 - 17 Advancement & Outreach Committee**

Mike Hinshaw (Wooster) reported. Committee activities in outreach and communication with meetings and seekers were reviewed. The full report follows:

### **Advancement & Outreach Committee Report**

A & O continues a process to visit our meetings in an effort to knit us together more closely in God's love. Recently we have visited Grand Rapids, Mid-Ohio Valley, and Gallipolis. We also continue our process for double checking information on meetings' own websites vs. the printed Annual Records, the LEYM website, and quakerfinder.org. Meetings are doing a better job of keeping their information up-to-date now than they did in the past. We would like to strongly encourage all meetings to have their own websites to publicize their meeting and its activities. Please consult the publication *Is Your Quaker Meeting Thinking of Setting Up a Website?* through the following link:

[http://www.fgcquaker.org/files/LEYM\\_SettingUpAWebsite\\_Mar07.pdf](http://www.fgcquaker.org/files/LEYM_SettingUpAWebsite_Mar07.pdf)

We also continued a review of efforts made in our meetings to reach out to seekers and to welcome especially new attenders. We encourage all meetings to use the Quaker Quest program and the Inreach-Outreach Ideas and Queries, both available from FGC.

### **RM11 - 18 Nominating Committee**

Thomas Taylor (Ann Arbor) reported. Two major positions need to be filled: Recording Clerk for two and half years, and Bulletin Editor. The Nominating Committee brings forward the name of Les Walden for this latter position. **The Representative Meeting approved Les Walden as Bulletin Editor until the current term is completed.** His name will be brought forward for a new term at the annual sessions in July 2011. Other positions to be filled are outlined in the full report, as follows:

### **Nominating Committee Report**

The committee's work is progressing; however, due to resignations, we have two major positions to fill immediately:

1. Recording Clerk - thanks to Peter Wood for filling in at this meeting, but we need someone to step in and continue the work through the Annual Meeting and the next two years.
2. Bulletin Editor - Jeff pulled the Winter Bulletin together and I did the printing and mailing. Les Walden (Detroit), who has also helped with the last two Bulletins, has agreed to take on this work. This requires our approval. Deadline for the Spring issue is 1 May.

Significant leadership positions to fill by the end of YM:

1. Assistant Clerk to come into office when Merry steps down at the close of Annual Meeting and then follow Peggy into the clerk's position
2. Clerk of M&N
3. Webmaster to take over from Bill Warters

Also, there is need for Friends who feel led to serve on the following:

Earthcare, Peace, Publications & Archives, Adult & Family Program, teachers for the Youth & Children's program and especially the High School Teen Retreat Program. Since we will be recruiting a replacement for Cari Burke, this committee needs some committed Friends to serve. We also need reps to AFSC and FCNL.

Remember that the Nominating Committee can't do this work alone - we are all ex officio on the

Nominating Committee. Who in your meeting has the skills to serve the Yearly Meeting in these ways? Think of the favor you will be doing them to help them get involved. Let us know who they are or help us recruit them.

### **RM11 - 19 Ad Hoc Advices & Queries Committee**

Thomas Taylor (Ann Arbor) reported. Responses from eight meetings so far are helping in the formulation of a next draft, which the committee hopes to have ready for the annual sessions in July. Responses from other meetings are hoped for by April 17. The full report follows:

### **Ad Hoc Advices & Queries Committee Report**

Through workshops at the last two Annual Meetings, making our *Draft Advices and Queries* available to all Friends, and the good work of many Friends in reading, using and responding to the draft, we have received much valuable feedback from many individual Friends. Eight meetings have responded to the Ministry & Nurture queries which were designed to help Friends focus on the Draft (Ann Arbor, Birmingham, Broadmead, Cleveland, Kalamazoo, Kent, North Columbus, and Pine River). Oberlin Meeting intends to respond by the 10th of April, and we have a partial response from Detroit Meeting with a promise of more. That leaves 8 meetings and several worship groups from which we hope to hear within the next few weeks. I intend to contact them soon.

Ministry & Nurture Committee has been sifting the responses and will soon have a report to make. So our Ad Hoc Committee is now ready to prayerfully read through the responses in order to produce another draft, which we hope will serve the Yearly Meeting as a set of Queries & Advices. We hope to have this draft ready in time to distribute prior to our Annual Meeting in July. In order to have it ready in time, we intend getting to work by mid-April and so encourage Friends to get responses to us within the next two weeks - by 17 April - rather than waiting until our stated deadline of 15 May.

The responses to our first draft have been positive, with a number of suggested edits of details and additional suggestions. In general, Friends liked the range of categories (rather than a set of 12). The quote to focus the mind on each category and the mix of advices and queries has also received positive comments. The revised set of queries will probably be addressed more to "I" and "we" rather than to "you," which to some has seemed proscriptive.

This process of developing these queries and advices has been intensely involving and spiritually uplifting and we are grateful to Friends who have joined us on the journey.

### **RM11 - 20 Publications & Archives Committee**

Rosemary Coffey (Pittsburgh) reported. The committee recommends continuation of the policy on photography (RM 10-9). That policy reads:

Photos of Friends of all ages may appear on the website. Friends can request that pictures of themselves or their children not be posted on the website by placing a "no photo" sticker on their nametag at all LEYM events, including retreats. These stickers shall be made available with the nametags, and their availability shall be well publicized. For events where nametags are not worn or parental permission to attend is required, the opportunity to request that photos not be posted on the website will be offered by other means, such as registration or permission forms.

**The Representative Meeting approved making this policy permanent.** Rosemary Coffey will edit the Annual Records for 2011. Joe Mills (Kalamazoo) will act as her apprentice. The full report follows:

### **Publications & Archives Committee Report**

1. Let's keep the "No photo" stickers.
2. Rosemary Coffey will edit the Annual Records this year only. Joe Mills is the apprentice for

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next year. Rosemary will keep a log of dates and tasks completed.

3. Joe Mills will remind monthly meetings of what kinds of material they should be sending to Friends Historical Library at Swarthmore.

**RM11 - 21 Minute of Appreciation**

We approved the following minute of appreciation for Ann Arbor Monthly Meeting:

Lake Erie Representative Meeting expresses its appreciation to the Friends of Ann Arbor Monthly Meeting for the many gifts they have provided this weekend. We have been welcomed warmly, fed well, housed comfortably, and given the resources to conduct our business in spiritual and physical comfort. We extend our gratitude for their attending to our physical, emotional, and spiritual needs with a palpable ministry of hospitality.

Peter Wood  
Temporary Recording Clerk

Peggy Daub  
Presiding Clerk

## Treasurer's Report April 1, 2011 (RM 11 - 11)

### General Fund - Income

Meeting	Contribution
Akron	--
Ann Arbor	\$4,884.00
Athens	\$150.00
Birmingham	\$713.00
Broadmead	\$900.00
Cleveland	\$2,220.00
Delaware	\$370.00
Detroit	\$500.00
Grand Rapids	\$891.50
Granville	\$850.00
Holland	--
Kalamazoo	\$1,295.00
Kent	\$703.00
Mid-Ohio Valley	\$144.00
Monongalia	\$1,200.00
North Columbus	\$800.00
Oberlin	--
Pine River	\$592.00
Pittsburgh	\$5,106.00
Red Cedar	\$2,592.00
Wooster	\$444.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$24,354.50</b>

Fund	Open	Income	YM Subsidy	Expense	Close
General Fund	\$6,816.18	\$24,413.85		\$24,602.90	\$6,627.13
Granv, Youth-CD	6,010.60	159.09		159.09	6,010.60
Annual Meeting	5,984.54	15,799.62		18,769.35	3,014.81
Youth Activity*	9,563.88	506.94	2,700.00	2,596.12	10,174.70
High Schl Youth*	6,348.95	1,740.00	1,100.00	3,268.80	5,920.15
Spiritual Formtn*	3,825.14	3,030.00	600.00	3,717.61	3,737.53
FWCC Travel*	4,186.45		1,240.00		5,426.45
Consultation*	3,556.65				3,556.65
Ministry Schlrshp*	--	--	1,000.00	1,000.00	--
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$46,292.39</b>	<b>\$45,649.50</b>	<b>\$6,640.00</b>	<b>\$54,113.87</b>	<b>\$44,468.02</b>

\*These moneys are held in our checking account. We do the accounting. We also subsidize these programs.

NOTE: Annual Meeting Fund has \$5,000 invested in a CD at Shorebank, so the \$3,014.81 balance reflects a -\$2,034.46 checking balance + a \$5,049.27 CD balance.

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REPRESENTATIVE MEETING 4/2/11

<b>CDs - Urban Partnership</b>	<b>Open</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expense</b>	<b>Close</b>
Granville Youth 686108009	\$6,010.60	\$159.09	\$159.09	\$6,010.60
Youth Activity 4003416	\$5,000.00	\$ 37.85		\$5,037.85
General Fund 4003416	\$2,623.26	\$ 34.43		\$2,657.69
Annual Meeting 4003424	\$5,000.00	\$ 49.27		\$5,049.27
General Fund 4003424	\$2,459.44	\$ 24.92		\$2,484.36
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$21,093.30</b>	<b>\$305.56</b>	<b>\$159.09</b>	<b>\$21,239.77</b>

**General Fund Budgeted Expenses**

<b>Account</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget %</b>
Travel	\$6,000.00	\$4,976.55	83%
Office	200.00	10.00	5%
Contract Worker	2,075.00	666.25	32%
Finance	100.00	40.00	40%
Publications	3,400.00	2,070.10	61%
Advancement	100.00		0%
Ministry & Nurture	200.00		0%
Clerk's Fund	500.00		0%
FWCC Travel*	1,240.00	1,240.00	100%
Youth Activity Fund*	2,700.00	2,700.00	100%
High School Youth Fund*	1,100.00	1,100.00	100%
Spiritual Formation*	600.00	600.00	100%
Consultation Fund*	--		
Ministry Schlrshp Fund*	1,000.00	1,000.00	100%
FGC	4,500.00	4,500.00	100%
FGC - Special Program	500.00	500.00	100%
Records project	100.00	100.00	100%
Friends School in Detroit	4,500.00	4,500.00	100%
Olney Friends School	600.00	600.00	100%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$29,415.00</b>	<b>\$24,602.90</b>	

\* subsidy from General Fund

In-Kind (Travel)	\$2,281.63	<b>Funds Total:</b>	<b>\$44,468.02</b>
In-Kind (Teens)	26.01	<b>CD Total:</b>	<b>\$21,239.77</b>
In-Kind (Office)	41.48	<b>Checking Total:</b>	<b>\$23,228.25</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,349.12</b>		