

# Welcome to the LEYM Representative Meeting Jamboard!



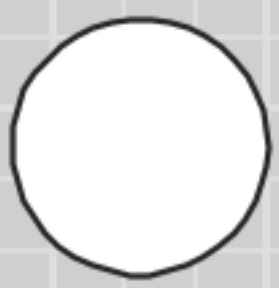
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Want to experiment? Go to the next slide!



A to Experiment...create a sticky!

**We're here**

**Create new sticky**

**Testing**

**Testing testing**

**LEYM Rep Meeting connected by technology**

*you can write with pen*

**Drop this in**

*hello*

*hi bank*

**Move me around!**

Can I just say something like this?  
Hmm.  
Guess so

**Kalamazoo says hi**

**Resize me!**

**Hello!**

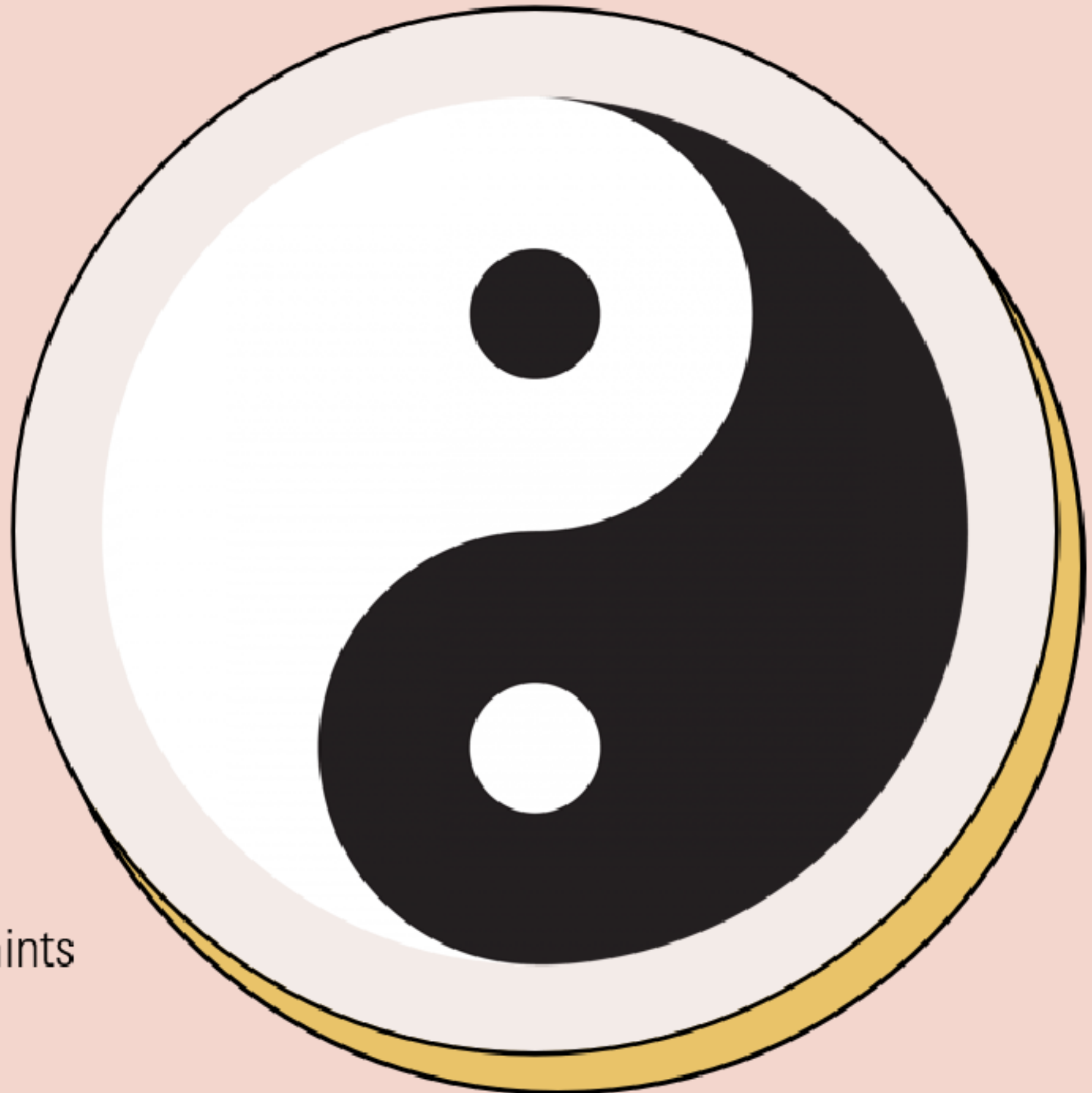


**new note**

**text just takes up more space than stickies, sometimes.**

# Balancing Polarities

- Social time/business
- Support/Challenge for MM's
- Spirituality/Activism in our programming
- Professionalism with expense/  
Volunteerism with energy constraints
- YM home/MM home



# THEMES

- Need for attention to inclusivity – explicitly anti-racist, new Quakers and new-to-LEYM Quakers
- Accessibility of our work (for people living remotely, with disabilities, etc.)
- Need for more connections outside of annual meeting, person to person, Meeting to Meeting
- Need for more connections intergenerationally
- Need for more variety and fun activities at annual meeting and otherwise
- Consistent support for LEYM functions (and clear roles and support for people who fill those functions)
- Need for more engagement/purpose during business sessions



# Committee Structure

## Externally facing



## Internally facing



## Getting people together

connectedness: mutual support and encouragements--between individuals, meetings, clerks, larger organizations.

Increase communication among monthly meetings. Learning from one another about concerns of monthly meetings

Opportunities to connect and learn from each other

# Most Im

such great support among monthly meetings -- sharing ideas for how to handle things or ideas for new things (e.g., meeting for fidgeting)

Getting to know Quakers from other Meetings and other kinds of Quakers.

Learning about innovations in worship practices from other monthly meetings, e.g., considering meetings for Fidgeters

## State of meeting reports

is like the bulletin, annual meeting, Faith and Practice for identity and communion

Expand Quaker community for individuals in our monthly meeting.

Expand the scope of monthly meetings

Expand identity as a Quaker: Monthly Meeting, yearly meeting, FGC, FWCC

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Appoint representatives to larger Quaker organization so that we are connected with Quakers around around the world and involved in their work

## Emphasis on kids

share, come together, to go deep into our roots, in order to more effectively turn outward

Create time to nourish our spirituality

Turning our energy as it relates to our Quaker values through use of minutes.

Expand impact of minutes created by monthly meetings or the yearly meeting

Involve kids in activities that they need to be involved in since many of our kids are in small monthly meetings

## supporting each other spiritually -- more time for worship and sharing

Sharing our spiritual grounding -- possibly by occasions to explore our "faith" and our "Practice" ... We might or might not come to unity or produce a product but the conversation!

Develop a Faith and Practice and queries.

# What's Most Important?

Meeting

My meeting and I

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Integrating us all including youth

yes

Meeting

Meeting

Building our Identity as Quakers

Me

Meeting

my meeting

Mtg

Nourishing Spirituality - sharing spiritual grounding - F&P as a way in?

me

Me

Meeting

Meeting

Making a statement as a group/shared voice

Meeting

Meeting

Mutual learning among meetings

Me

Meeting

Getting to know each other - interconnectedness

Me (spiritual & worship issues)

Meeting



# What's Unchangeable about This ? Group 1

What are our assumptions?

Need to Form an Agenda

Someone Must Read the Sense of the Meeting

Clerk must have a lot of experience

Clerk provides inspiration  
message for Bulletin

Clerk is one person

Someone must keep tabs on  
committees and deadlines

Somebody has to answer the email

Clerk is a volunteer position

What might be changeable after all?

Executive Committee could  
form agendas

Find young person with leadership  
abilities - with guidance; give them a  
lot of support

Separate duties

Clerking Team could share  
responsibilities

Could we pay a clerk?  
Fox says no...; but the  
clerk might delegate to  
a paid employee

Assistant Clerk!  
or co-clerk

Adhoc  
Committees



# What's Unchangeable about This ? Group 2

What are our assumptions?

**Assumption that the clerk is the person responsible for wisdom and keep the big picture in mind and corporate memory**

**Ability to use technology tools**

**The clerk is the person who checks in on other people. (This wouldn't be as necessary if people did what they need to do.)**

**Discernment role is essential.**

**Assumption: Responsibilities of the clerk must be done by one (or two) person.**

**Assumption that the four year commitment for a clerk is essential.**

What might be changeable after all?

**Reduce the number of responsibilities - delegate, change. Make it less daunting.**

**Flexibility about how LEYM clerking happens.**

# What's Unchangeable about This ? Group 3

What are our assumptions?

**Any group needs leadership**

**We need a way to articulate a sense of meeting**

**We have to do business**

**To do business we need agendas set, sessions clerked, records kept**

**Annual meeting needs to happen**

**YM needs a head as an org**

What might be changeable after all?

**HOW WE PREP FOR BUSINESS --  
Preparing/leading sessions doesn't have to be by one person**

**MAY BE WE COULD FIND WAYS TO COME TO UNITY AND SPEAK TOGETHER WITHOUT FORMAL MFB?**

**WE COULD TAKE A SABBATICAL FROM DOING BUSINESS?**

**MAYBE SENSE OF YM COULD COME IF MM'S ARTICULATED SENSES AND CIRCULATED THEM TO SEE IF OTHERS COULD UNITE (OR IMPROVE?)**

**ANNUAL MEETING COULD BECOME BI-ANNUAL**

# What's Unchangeable about This ? Group 4

What are our assumptions?

Clerk listens for needs from the body and makes sure they get addressed

Clerk needs to assist the meeting in discerning spirit (what is our leading?)

Clerks are sensitive to the divine

Clerk needs to assist the meeting in discerning actions to be taken (what is our response?)

Clerk helps looking after the big picture.

A variety of functional roles are part of a unified Clerk role

What might be changeable after all?

Could the variety of "roles" be done by more than one person? E.g., a clerking team.