

FRIENDS MEETING OF SAN ANTONIO

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

February 18, 2018

Attending: James Mize, Joni Mize, Bill Wilkinson, Bill Sweet, Pat Sweet, Marion Carter, Ken Southwood, Janet Southwood, Gretchen Haynes, Val Liveoak

“We must develop and maintain the capacity to forgive. He who is devoid of the power to forgive is devoid of the power to love. There is some good in the worst of us and some evil in the best of us. When we discover this, we are less prone to hate our enemies.” Martin Luther King, Jr

**Minutes of January, 2018** were approved.

**Nominating Report**

Bill Sweet was approved as telephone responder.

**Treasurer’s Report**

January 2018

Balance Sheet

A balancing entry was made to the Opening Equity Balance (because of the transfer of Meeting financials to QuickBooks and the reconciliation of 2016 outstanding payments) noted throughout last year so that the combined equity now shows as Unrestricted Net Assets.

Statement of Activities

No unusual activity to report income and expenses are typical for January.

Faithfully submitted, Bill Wilkinson, Treasurer **The Report was accepted.**

**Ministry & Oversight Report** - Presented by Val Liveoak.

1 While M&O has not met, we have continued to follow up on concerns for several members.

2 We bring forward the request for membership from Mimi Moore. She has met with a Clearness Committee and they recommended approving her request.

3 We are following up on several issues of concern to members of Meeting.

4. We continue to consider Forum presentations and monthly Queries.

5. Jim Spickard drafted the State of the Meeting Report for SCYM which will be read and considered in this meeting. **The Report was accepted.**

The request for membership by Miriam Moore was **approved**.

First reading of The State of the Meeting Report was by James Goslin. Friends found the summary accurate, but the length and amount of detail were problems. The original will be sent out and Friends were asked to submit edited drafts for consideration in the second reading. The time needed for submission to South Central Yearly Meeting may necessitate a called Meeting in March.

#### **Property Committee Report** - Presented by Bill Sweet

1. Additional proposals for repair of the rotten roof deck are actively being solicited. Members from the Property Committee met with two contractors between 12 and 16 February. Both contractors gave us a favorable initial impression. Bids, or withdrawal from consideration, are expected within two weeks.
  2. Committee members have worked on general tasks, such as weeding and trash removal.
  3. A "Labor of Love" work day, originally scheduled for 10 February, is scheduled for Saturday, 24 February between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Coffee and donuts, or similar, will be offered. The Meeting community is invited.
  4. We have received notice of other, minor issues, which are being worked into the schedule.
- James Goslin, James Mize, Joni Mize, Stephen Shearer, Bill Sweet **The Report was accepted.**

#### **Peace and Social Concerns Report** - Presented by Val Liveoak

Details of the arrangements of the upcoming Hope and Courage concert [Wed. March 28] by Annie Patterson and Peter Blood were discussed. A Committee of Joni Mize, Pam Spurgeon and Greg Casillas and we hope 2-3 from Celebration Circle will work on arrangements and publicity. Friends were asked to invite groups to bring information for tables (and their members to attend!) **The Report was accepted.**

The principle singers have asked for travel expense reimbursement of \$400. Any amount collected above this will be donated to an organization to be determined. The ticket price is under consideration. Local musicians, led by Rudi Harst, will participate in the opening of the concert; a screen and projector are recommended for music from the *Rise Again* song book. The hours have not been established.

#### **Signage Ad Hoc Committee Report** - Presented by Joni Mize

The committee met to consider implementing the need for revised Meeting signs. An example of those for the windows is now up in the Library for comments. The committee took a field trip to examine other signs in the neighborhood. They will develop a time line for proceeding. **The Report was accepted.**

The city will require permits, which the sign company will procure. Friends will need two readings of the content and locations. The plan is to have new signs in place before the spring Festival in May.

**Friends Festival May 12** – Presented by Gretchen Haynes

The date has been approved, and the ponies and farm animals are signed on. People are beginning to sign on to the various tasks. We will have a planning meeting at the end table, pot luck Sunday, March 4 to discern details of location and which offerings to include. Anyone interested is welcome. **The Report was accepted.**

**Other Concerns**

Disposal of cremation ashes. Marian has researched the detrimental impact of ashes on plants and reported to Property committee. In January, Gretchen Haynes offered to consult with Friends Meeting of Austin on their experience. She has not completed this task and will continue with it. The concern is carried over to next month.

The Meeting ended with a period of silent worship.

Val Liveoak, Co-Clerk

Gretchen Haynes Acting Recording Clerk