SCQM Fall Fellowship Minutes – November 7, 2015 - Temescal Canyon

Plenary I

Opening Worship

Roll Call:

All Meetings and Worship Groups present, with the exception of the following:

Marloma Long Beach
San Diego MM
Whitleaf WG

(However, it was noted that Friends from Las Vegas Worship Group are at the gathering.)

Visitors: Alyssa Nelson, Youth Programs Coordinator, Davis Monthly Meeting noted that the Youth Programs Supervisory committee chose this time to meet as well and they include Lisa Hubbell, Strawberry Creek, Steve Leeds, San Francisco MM and Western Shore WG, Jim Summers, Steven Myers, Sacramento Friends Meeting, Rebekkah Percy (YPCC, Co-Clerk), Gwen McNamara, San Luis Obispo MM; other visitors include Roena Oesting, PYM Visiting Friend, Mary Klein, Editor of Western Friend, Palo Alto MM, Eric Sabelman, Palo Alto MM, Earthlight Bookstore, Mary Anne Sabelman, and Bertha Pena, Mexico City, MM & Casa de los Amigos.

Treasurer’s Report: Peter Neumann, the new Treasurer, reported. See attached report. Peter and former Treasurer Kip are in transition. The financial condition of SCQM is stable. Ruth Peters bequest was what she left SCQM. A friend asked about the budget of FF and it was explained we should come out even.

Nominating Committee: Trudy Friedel reported. See report attached.

The following additional nominations were put forth: Arrangements, Joanna Clinton & Jan Bartholomew, both from Santa Monica MM; M&C, Joanne Taylor, Inland Valley MM; Directory Committee, Dan Strickland, Orange Grove MM; it was mentioned there are openings on Nominating, Teen and Pacific Ackworth committees. These will be laid over until Plenary II.

Keynote Speaker: Laura Magnani, Strawberry Creek MM, then spoke about leadings.

Plenary II

Clerk’s Report: Robin Durant reported.

Mary Klein - Steve Smith’s newest book “Eastern Light” can be ordered now. It’s a self-reflection of his growth as a Quaker. She also encouraged Friends to take publications and made Friends aware of the content of the current issue of Western Friend, which is in the mail.
Request from PYM M&O – Shayne Lightner reported. PYM Ministry and Oversight Committee is looking for a Meeting to host its winter meeting in January.

PYM Youth Programs Coordinator Committee – Jim Summers reported. The committee has been meeting this weekend at Fall Fellowship. Their discernment was around how spend money, and their focus for the coming year. Topics included a Spring service trip with the Wachumney Tribe and the Bob Vogel Endowment. Jim reminded Friends that Alyssa’s role is as a coordinator to help enable and coordinate work with, and between, young Friends throughout PYM. She also helps breaks down barriers between adults and youth.

Alyssa Nelson then reported. She passed out two handouts. A) What is live on the PYM Youth website (including the calendar, etc.). B) Spring Service Learning camp in Visalia, with the Wachumney Tribe. March 22-26, 2015. There are limited spots for adults. The calendar is an intergenerational calendar throughout PYM, including Quaker Center workshops, camps both within PYM as well as outside (such as with Intermountain Yearly Meeting). Alyssa also wanted to thank those who participated in Adult Ally Workshops and encouraged others to participate.

Registrars Report - Sharon Gates and David Mackenzie, OGMM, co-registrars, reported. See attached. 114 people registered, 71 on time, 8 canceled, 7 haven’t registered, 108 people here today, they expect 95 tomorrow, and 28 are here for the first time. The youngest is 6, the oldest is 85, the average age is 49 (but they suspect that would’ve been skewed had those who declined to state their age, stated their age). 18 Meetings and worship groups were represented, including people from Canada, College Park, etc., the farthest being Mexico City. And they asked attendees to please return the plastic badge holders at the end of Fall Fellowship.

Nominating Committee report: Dan Strickland reported.

**Minute 2015-11-1: SCQM approves the nominations as presented.**

It was noted there are now three openings under Peace and Social Concerns.

Treasurer’s Report: There were no further questions at this time.

Clerks Committee concern: The question arose what the Clerks Committee can and cannot approve in between Quarterly meeting gatherings. A report was passed out. See attached. This is to be seasoned and laid over until Spring Gathering.

The desire is to be clear what the committee can and cannot do.

Separately, a Friend asked why there is $89,000 in a checking account and it was noted that this issue is in process as there is a transition to a new Treasurer.

Friends approved the action minutes and closed with worship.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Durant, presiding clerk
Shayne Lightner, recording clerk

**Attachments**

Treasurer’s Report (Attached – I’m not sure how to import a PDF into Word)

Nominating Committee Report (also attached separately as both a word and PDF doc)

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA QUARTERLY MEETING**  
**PROPOSED OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES 11/7/15**

**OFFICERS**

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**COMMITTEES**

**Arrangements Committee**

Sharon Gates &
David Mackenzie, Registrar registrar@scqm.org  6/15 to 5/18 Orange Grove
Elizabeth Bills, Clerk  11/14 to 5/17 La Jolla
Arthur Kegerreis  11/14 to 5/17 Orange Grove
Marion Holzwarth  11/14 to 5/17 Santa Barbara
Joanna Clinton  8/15 to 5/18 Santa Monica
Jan Bartholomew  8/15 to 5/18 Santa Monica

**Directory Committee**

Dan Strickland  11/15 to 5/18 Orange Grove

**Finance Committee**

Oliver Ryder  6/12 to 5/18 La Jolla
Sharon Gates  6/12 to 5/18 Orange Grove
Peter Neumann, (ex officio)  6/15 to 5/18 Santa Barbara

**Ministry and Counsel Committee**

Judy Leshefka, Clerk  6/11 to 5/16 La Jolla
Lawrence Alderson  6/11 to 5/17 Orange County
Robin DuRant (ex officio)  1/13 to 5/16 Orange Grove
Sue Scott  6/13 to 5/16 Inland Valley
Holly Anderson  4/15 to 5/18 Ojai
Marion Holzwarth 6/15 to 5/18 Santa Barbara
Joann Taylor 11/15 to 5/18 Inland Valley

**Newsletter Committee (publishes Quarterly Reporter prior to Quarterly Gatherings)**
Sarah Rose House-Lightner 6/14 to 5/17 Orange Grove

**Nominating Committee**

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Dan Strickland 6/14 to 5/17 Orange Grove
Jim Summers 6/14 to 5/17 La Jolla
Trudy Freidel 6/15 to 5/18 Inland Valley

**Pacific Ackworth Foundation Board**
Gary Wolff 6/11 to 5/17 Orange Grove
Michelle White 6/15 to 5/18 Orange Grove
Judson Emerick 7/15 to 5/18 Orange Grove
David Mackenzie 7/15 to 5/18 Orange Grove
Richard Chamberlain 7/15 to 5/18 Santa Monica
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**Pacific Friend School Board**
Kip McBane 6/11 to 5/17 La Jolla
Gary Wolff 6/12 to 5/18 Orange Grove

**Peace & Social Order Committee**
Anthony Manousos, Co-Clerk 6/12 to 5/17 Orange Grove
Sergei Agalzoff, Co-Clerk 6/14 to 5/17 Orange Grove

**Southern California Youth Planning Committee**
Kate Watkins, Clerk 6/13 to 5/16 Santa Monica
Jim Summers (PYM YPCC) 11/14 to 5/17 La Jolla

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**Religious Education Committee (Children)**
Winnie Sunshine, Clerk 11/14 to 5/17 La Jolla
Jennifer Carr (PYM YPCC) 6/15 to 5/18 Las Vegas
Lauren Mangis 11/14 to 5/17 Santa Barbara

**Retreats Committee**
Patricia Wolff 11/14 to 5/17 Orange Grove

Registrar’s Report (attached, also a PDF)
Alyssa Nelson Handouts (on the website; she suggested we scan what she gave us; I believe you have a copy?)

Clerks Committee Concern Report (You, Robin, have this, I believe)