

SCQM 4/27/2013 A.M. Plenary I

State of the Meeting reports were read for Claremont , Conejo Valley Worship Group, Inland Valley, La Jolla, and Marloma Long Beach.

SCQM 4/27/2013 A.M. Plenary II

1. The meeting opened with a period of silent worship.
2. The roll call of participants from the monthly meetings was conducted:
 - a. Attenders were present from Claremont, Conejo Valley, Inland Valley, La Jolla, Marloma Long Beach, Orange County, Orange Grove, San Diego, Santa Barbara and Santa Monica monthly meetings and worship group.
 - b. No attenders were present from the Las Vegas, Ojai or Whitleaf worship groups.
3. The Nominating Committee shared the first reading of the nominations for the June 2013 through May 2014 term as follows:
 - a. Clerk – Robin DuRant
 - b. Elder to the Clerk – Lawrence Alderson (new)
 - c. Treasurer – Kip McBane
 - d. Database Clerk – Don Bean
 - e. Web Coordinator – Charles Summers
 - f. Ministry and Counsel – Steve Rosenbluth (new) Sue Scott (new), Kate Connell (new) and Lawrence Alderson (renewal)
 - g. Nominating Committee – Dan Strickland
 - h. Southern CA Youth Planning Committee – Kate Watkins

4. Unfilled positions remain for:
 - a. Directory Committee
 - b. Finance Committee
 - c. Newsletter
 - d. Peace and Social Justice
 - e. Religious Education Committee (including the clerk and other open positions)
5. **The meeting approved laying down the Southern California Ecumenical Council Liaison position.** One Friend stood aside due to a lack of information. A friend spoke in support of this decision due to the concern that this committee is principally confined to Christian religious groups. This decision was previously made by the Clerks Committee, so this was an affirmation of this decision.
6. The Treasurer's report was reviewed for approval.
7. The financial projections include actual costs and anticipated reimbursement requests.
8. It was suggested that we replenish the teen endowment fund by \$1000.00. Also, we discussed potentially renaming the John and Alice Way Fund. The current balance is \$24.00.
9. **The 2013-2014 budget was approved with minor corrections (attached).**
10. It was suggested that the Quarter highlight the Peace Vigil reimbursement fund via the newsletter and other means.
11. The Pacific Yearly Meeting Faith and Practice is no longer published in paper copy and is now a scarce resource until new edition published, which is likely to be at least several years from now. Some copies remain with John and Sherri Sisson for meetings to purchase at \$5 each.

12. The SCQM Clerk's Report was provided.
13. The Peace and Social Concerns Committee presented a minute on drone warfare. The original minute was approved by Orange Grove Monthly Meeting. **The minute against drone warfare minute was reviewed and approved as amended, with one friend standing aside:**

Minute of Concern regarding Drone Warfare

As Friends (Quakers) who believe there is "that of God" in everyone and therefore every life is sacred. we are deeply concerned about the proliferation of lethal unmanned aerial vehicles, commonly known as drones. The United States is leading the way in this new form of warfare where pilots in U.S. bases kill people by remote control, thousands of miles away. Drones have become the preferred weapons to conduct war due to the lack of direct risk to the lives of U.S. soldiers, but these drone strikes have led to the deaths of hundreds of innocent civilians in countries where we are not at war, including Pakistan, Yemen and Somalia.

We urge our government to put an end to this secretive, remote-controlled killing and instead promote foreign policies that are consistent with the values of a democratic and humane society. We call on the United Nations to ban the international use of lethal drones.

14. A copy of the above minute will be sent to the Pacific Yearly Meeting for its consideration. Additionally, we ask that Friends take this topic and minute to their monthly meetings for further study, consideration and discussion.
15. Orange County is co-sponsoring a talk by FCNL on Climate Change on May 8th at 7 PM.

16. Linda Dunn from Inland Valley Friends Meeting announced that they were seeking input on options use of the site they have purchased for the purpose of building a meetinghouse.

SCQM 4/27/2013 A.M. Plenary III

The State of the Meeting reports were read for Orange County, Orange Grove, San Diego, Santa Barbara and Santa Monica.

SCQM 4/27/2013 P.M. Plenary IV

The Nominating Committee Report was presented for approval.

17. Shane Lightner volunteered to serve as Recording Clerk for Fall Fellowship and the Spring Gathering.
18. **The meeting approved the nominating slate as presented in the second plenary.**
19. Alyssa Nelson provided a report on the Southern California Youth Planning Committee.
 - a. The correction was noted that Claire Griese is serving on the SC Youth Planning Committee in place of Lee Sisson.
 - b. Emma Castanedo is departing from the committee.
 - c. Sam Sisson will continue to serve.
20. Potential interest in an Outreach Committee was discussed. Betty Guthrie (Orange County) has expressed interest. Others who are interested should contact Betty Guthrie.
21. The SCQM Directory needs to be updated. The contacts for the meetings were submitted for Friends to provide updates as appropriate.

22. A report was provided from the Representative Committee on the Youth Program Coordinator. Kate Watkins is the clerk of the YPC Supervisory Committee. Alyssa Nelson is the YPC.
23. Alyssa will be facilitating an Adult Ally workshop on Saturday May 4 at Santa Monica meeting.
24. A detailed report on the YPC function is on the Pacific Yearly Meeting website.
25. Alyssa offered additional support for the Quarter.
26. The suggestion was made to connect and coordinate more closely with the AFSC.
27. The additional suggestion was made to continue to publish activities of the Youth Program in Western Friend.
28. The YPC Supervisory Committee has recommended we continue to support indefinitely the paid YPC position. This minute was submitted to and approved by the PYM Representative Committee.
- 29. The Pacific Friends Outreach Society came to unity on laying down their organization. They had about \$400,000 in funds, and they decided to donate this to the Yearly Meeting to continue to support the Youth Program with the YPC Supervisory Committee as the stewards. The PYM Finance Committee and Treasurer will oversee the financial administration of the Youth Program endowment, with the YPC SC providing the vision and direction for the program. PFOS stipulated that this would not fund the YPC salary. The meeting approved a minute to support the acceptance the PFOS donation to the Youth Program.**
- 30. The Meeting approved a minute to continue support of the paid YPC position.**
31. It was noted that the Pacific Yearly Meeting was scheduled for July 29 through August 3 at Mount Madonna. Online reservations can now be made on the PYM website.