

Minutes of Blue River Quarterly Meeting held at Camp CILCA on October 6, 2001

Present: Karen Shippen, Heather Woods, Harry Desroches, Peter Lasersohn, Bobbi Trist, Margaret Katranides, Jay Mittenthal, Grayce H. Mesner, Mariellen Gilpin, Carolyn S. Treadway

Minutes of the Spring Gathering were read.

The Treasurer's report was given by Grayce Haworth Mesner; it was approved. A copy is appended. (copy sent upon request.)

The Nominating Committee report was given by Peter Lasersohn. These names were suggested for two-year terms beginning in the Spring of 2002:

Clerk: Mariellen Gilpin

Recording Clerk: Scott Searles

Treasurer: Grayce H. Mesner

The report was approved.

The Clerk is encouraged to let the planning committee know if he/she has a preference on the time of the meeting for business.

Peter Lasersohn reported on the archival records of BRQ which have been deposited with the Illinois Historical Survey at the University of Illinois Library. He distributed a list of missing records between 1828 and 1999. We are urged to make available to Peter any of these we are able to find. He will see that they are properly deposited. We recommend that in the future, the Recording Clerk send a copy of our minutes, on acid-free paper, to the Historical Survey following each Quarterly Meeting. BRQ will reimburse the Recording Clerk for copying and mailing expenses.

We discussed the scheduling of BRQ. The north-south switch proposed at last spring's meeting is not proving as beneficial as expected. Because of the need to reserve sites in advance, we will keep the established dates for 2002. Mariellen Gilpin and Bobbi Trist will research possibilities in the Champaign region for Spring 2003, with DuBois Center as a possible alternative. Heather Woods agreed to research sites in the St.Louis and Columbia regions.

Two members of the BRQ Planning Support Group formed last spring, Karen Shippen and Bobbi Trist, are here today. Karen will contact other members of that group about working to establish a log book and a directory for BRQ. Bobbi already has compiled, on her computer, some of the information for log books and planning. She also has a database of previous attenders, including children and their ages.

We listened to the reading of a Friends Committee on National Legislation bulletin offering ten alternatives to military response to terrorism.

Bobbi Trist urges that we plan to do at least part of our own cooking when meeting at Camp

CILCA. Margaret Katranides will take this suggestion to the St. Louis Meeting, which will be in charge next spring.

Dates and locations of future gatherings:

Spring 2002 April 19-21 at Camp CILCA
(c/o St. Louis)

Fall 2002 Sept. 27-29 at Camp DuBois
(c/o small northern meetings)

Spring 2003 April ?-? at possible new site or
Camp DuBois (c/o Columbia)

Fall 2003 Sept. or Oct. at possible new site or
DuBois, where we have a tentative
reservation for Sept. 26-28
(c/o Urbana-Champaign)

Karen Shippen, Clerk Carolyn S. Treadway, Recorder