

At Blue River Quarterly Meeting, held the 22nd and 23rd of Ninth Month, 2012 at DuBois Center

Twenty Friends were present on the 22nd.

1. We gathered in silence.
2. In the absence of the clerk, Dawn Rubbert was asked to serve as clerk.
3. The recording clerk read the minutes of the Spring meeting.
4. The treasurers report was circulated (attached) and approved.
5. Charlotte Green of the Urbana-Champaign MM (UCMM) asked if Blue River Quarterly would endorse a resolution in support of Boycott Divestment Sanctions (BDS) Earlham College as the Urbana-Champaign meeting has. The resolution asks that Earlham divest of holdings in Caterpillar, Motorola, and Hewlett Packard for profiting from the Israeli occupation of Palestinian land.

As Friends are committed to nonviolence and justice and as many of us are alumni of Earlham or parents of alumni, our meeting should endorse the efforts of students at a Quaker college like Earlham to support non-violent means to resisting violations of international law and the universal principles of human rights. UCMM asks BRQ to write a letter to Earlham BDS and to the Board of Trustees of Earlham College and to the College's Socially Responsible Investment Advisory Committee.

After a discussion, Friends agree to ask Charlotte, Bobbi Trist, and Steve Tamari to write such a letter with a statement that as Friends we are opposed to violence in any form. Dawn will sign and send the letter to the Earlham bodies mentioned above and post it on the ILYM Peace Resources blog and submit a copy to the ILYM listserv (including contact information for BDS).

We will revisit this issue at our spring meeting to see if further action is called for.

6. Bobbi Trist will confirm the exact date (either the first or second meeting in April 2013) for our next meeting at Camp Silca. We have already reserved space for next fall at DuBois Center for Sept. 20-22, 2013. Dawn will book our reservations for fall 2014. before we leave this weekend. [Note: we now have reservations for September 19-21, 2014.]
7. A committee of the whole nominated Dawn Rubbert to be clerk of BRQ for the next two year term beginning at the rise of Spring 2013-Spring 2015 term. Dawn accepted. Margie Haworth is willing to serve as treasurer for another term and Steve Tamari will also serve another term as recording clerk.
8. Meeting closed with a moment period of silence.

Thirteen Friends were present on the 22nd.

1. We gathered in silence.
2. David Wixom was encouraged to plan intergenerational canoe trips following in the footsteps of his father.
3. ILYM 2013 Program Planning
 - Food commitments: we need a final clean up person.
 - Tentative Program
 - Wed. evening: Helene Pollack (Maureen or Margaret will contact?)
 - Thursday night panel of youth who will talk about their spiritual journeys with an emphasis on joy from a young adult Quaker perspective and how they experience joy: Zoe (Kate will contact); William (Kate will contact); Greg Woods (Dawn will contact); Adrian Nelson (Dawn will contact).
 - Saturday's speaker: Parker Palmer (Kate will contact about this year and (a more likely scenario), three years hence, ie. summer of 2016); Brian Drayton (Maureen will contact). Maureen can also contact Marcel Martin or Mary Lord if necessary.
 - Plummer lecture: Nancy will contact Sarah Pavlovic, Neal Mesner, or Roy Treadway.
4. Meeting closed with a moment of silence.