

MINUTES OF BLUE RIVER QUARTERLY MEETING  
St. Louis, Mo. Tenth Month 24, 1964

Following a meeting for Worship the delegates and attenders were introduced:

1. Urbana - Virginia and Gene Gilmore
2. Peoria - Marjorie Smith, Reed Smith
3. Clear Creek - Anna Mary Wilson            Arthur Wilson  
                  Grace Haworth                Betty Wolf  
                  Kathryn Mills                    Turner Mills
4. - 57th Street - Flora and Hugh Maxwell
5. St. Louis - Dorothy & Edgar Anderson        Suzanne Wicks  
                  Verna & Galen Wood                Cheerye Ishida  
                  Clifford Haworth                Faith Mock  
                  Lillian Krieg                    Althea Walton  
                  Gertrude & Edward Wood        Eldora Spiegelberg  
                  Doris & Marvin Fridley            Karol Rebus  
                  Amanda & Herbert Fraser        Rachel Stalnaker  
                  Delores & David Swaney  
                  Joan & Tom Ewald

Minutes of the April and August meetings were read and approved. Edward Wood gave the Treasurer's report which was accepted. Clifford Haworth brought up the question as to whether there is a need for a Quarterly Meeting treasurer. Anna Mary Wilson asked how meetings other than Urbana and St. Louis could help in the expenses of Quarterly Meetings. Marvin Fridley suggested that we think about the function of Quarterly Meeting and decide if its function calls for having a treasurer. It was the sense of the meeting that thought be given to this question so that it might be discussed at a later time.

State of the Society - Gene Gilmore read a report from the Urbana Meeting which is appended. The report prompted inquiries about the procedures in carrying on Quaker Conversations. Urbana Friend expressed a feeling of renewal with the beginning of the school year and the picking up of Young people's activities.

Amanda Fraser reported for St. Louis by having Verna Wood summarize her contacts with the many small meetings of this area and then Amanda went on to report on the activities of the Peace and Social order Committee and individual activities of St. Louis members in Civil Rights activities. Delores Swaney concluded the report with words about First Day School expansion-activities and projects. Amanda then referred to our hopes in the future of establishing contacts among the Students at W. U. <sup>Washington</sup> with an eye toward creating some kind of student group there.

Betty Wolf read the report for Clear Creek in which she spoke of a need for more spiritual messages and then she told of the growing group of young marrieds who have been taking active interest in the meeting. Copy of this report is also appended.

Marjorie Smith gave a brief summary of activities in Peoria stating that there were still only four steady families but that others were in and out adding to the meeting while they were there. They have some contacts with Bradley Students thru service projects and are planning to work with other community groups in presenting a program with Annalee Stewart, Past President of the WILPF as speaker.

Hugh Maxwell spoke for the Chicago office of the AFSC stating that great progress had been made since his plea for help was made in April and with the able assistance of Bernard Lafayette who was added to the staff soon after the April meeting. The Urban Affairs program is moving along at a great pace. He spoke of a four-part program: The first two parts of which are going activities. These are the Workshop sessions with many groups including Chicago Friends Meetings, and a peacemaker group working with the various civil rights organizations. The other two parts are still to be developed and these include work with militant white groups and the war on Poverty. The setting up of area offices and the trend toward intern service were also mentioned. Amanda Fraser brought up the matter of AFSC finances which Hugh Maxwell briefly explained. Flora Maxwell reported on the yearly retreats to McNabb taken by the 57th Street Friends Meeting and how fruitful these retreats had been to their meeting.

Announcement was made that the next Quarterly Meeting will be held in Urbana on April 10. After a few moments of silence the meeting was closed.

Kathryn Mills, Clerk  
Althea Walton, Recording Clerk