

MINUTES OF BLUE RIVER QUARTERLY MEETING
AT CAMP DUBOIS

Saturday, April 25, 1998

After handling a few items of business, we agreed to approve each minute as we deal with an agenda item. Only minor editorial changes will be made later by the clerks. Under this system, minutes will not need to be read and approved at the next Quarterly, six months later.

The Treasurer's report was given by Beth Kidder. A copy is attached. It was pointed out that our balance is significantly lower at present than at the beginning of 1997. Meetings need to be reminded of the Quarterly Meeting assessment of \$5 per year for each resident adult member. As the treasurer will be in Maine for parts of the coming year, without a stable address in Illinois, the registrar for the fall Quarterly will need to be in touch with Beth at the address on her report.

IYM PLANNING

David Finke, as overall food coordinator, reported that each category of daily tasks at Yearly Meeting has one coordinator signed up. A second person is needed to share the responsibility. After several volunteers agreed to fill slots, the ones remaining unfilled are: Serving, with Tom Short, and Dishwashing, with Allen Treadway.

Nancy Duncan reported on the things that are in place for the Adult program, as follows:

Theme: Toward the Refreshing of the Children of Light

Speakers: Johan Maurer - Wednesday evening

Patrick Nugent - Saturday evening

Maurine Pyle - Sunday morning (Plummer)

Quaker organizations - Thursday evening

Dancing - Friday evening

Workshops: It was suggested that people developing workshops be conscious of the overall theme.

Ideas for workshops:

Lake Forest might be asked to do one on Spiritual Direction.

Patrick Nugent, who will be with us all week, might be willing to do one.

Chris Jocius and Betty Clegg have offered to repeat their workshop on journaling for spiritual development.

Sound system: Ginny Laughlin has communicated with IYM planners about equipment, which in the past has been brought from Evanston.

Dave Moorman of Downer's Grove is looking into locating sound equipment which will belong to IYM.

STATE OF SOCIETY REPORTS

Presented today were:

Clear Creek - written

Columbia - verbal, from Bob Wixom, Pat Wixom, David Finke

Decatur - written

Springfield - verbal, from Eric Volkel

St. Louis - written

Friends present offered information on some meetings which did not present reports.

Many expressed a feeling of loss at the absence of groups that have traditionally sent representatives to Quarterly Meeting. There is also a sense of loss in the absence of persons from groups seldom represented.

The Quarterly Meeting agreed to contact these meetings and worship groups to let them know that we miss them and to express our hope that they will be able to attend the fall Quarterly. A letter to this effect will be composed by David Finke, Tom Paxson, Monica Riney and Elizabeth Jones, for approval Sunday morning.

Bob Wixom, as a member of Faith and Practice committee, requested that meetings forward to Paul Buckley reports of relevant discussions on Faith and Practice drafts.

Pat Wixom raised a concern about how business is prepared for Yearly Meeting. This was also discussed at Continuing Committee in March. Friends expressed interest in ongoing discussion of this.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Wixom announced the Environmental Concerns Committee retreat at McNabb in May.

The fall Blue River Quarterly will be held at Camp CILCA on Sept. 25-27, with program under the care of the Northern Illinois meetings.

We then adjourned.

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Sunday, April 26, 1998

The letter for sending to absent meetings was approved. Appreciation was expressed for the work of the committee who composed it.

Meetings are reminded that State of Society reports are also to be sent to Coordinating Clerk Mary Nurenberg.

A reservation for use of Camp DuBois on April 23-24-25, 1999, by Blue River Quarterly is being made.

Carolyn Smith Treadway, Recording Clerk
Margaret Katranides, Presiding Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT TO BLUE RIVER QUARTERLY MEETING

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Transaction</u> | <u>Deposit</u> | <u>Withdraw</u> | <u>Balance</u> |
|-------------|--|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 12/31/96 | Bank statement | | | \$1,596.82 |
| 3/31/97 | Bank statement | | | \$1,596.82 |
| 4/22/97 | From St. Louis Fr. Mtg. | \$280.00 | | \$1,876.82 |
| 5/9/97 | To IYM Field Secretary | | \$100.00 | \$1,776.82 |
| 6/4/97 | From Columbia Fr. Mtg. | \$100.00 | | \$1,876.82 |
| 6/4/97 | Qtly Mtg expenses | | \$573.41 | \$1,303.41 |
| 6/30/97 | Bank statement | | | \$1,303.41 |
| 9/30/97 | Bank statement | | | \$1,303.41 |
| 9/27/97 | Camp Cilca, Qtly Mtg food & housing | | \$927.50 | \$375.91 |
| 9/27/97 | D.R. White, child care & travel exp. reimb. | | \$320.00 | \$55.91 |
| 10/10/97 | Qtly Mtg fees & gifts | \$1,159.50 | | \$1,215.41 |
| 10/20/97 | Qtly Mtg expenses | \$65.98 | → | \$1,149.43 |
| 10/23/97 | Replaces lost check | \$145.00 | | \$1,294.43 |
| 10/23/97 | Donation | \$10.00 | | \$1,304.43 |
| 12/31/97 | Bank statement | | | \$1,304.43 |
| 3/19/98 | DuBois Center, deposit | | \$100.00 | \$1,204.43 |

Based on last year's figures, I estimate that the April 1998 Quarterly Meeting will, after all bills have been paid and all receipts deposited, cost us \$200.00 more than we receive.

We will need to pay expenses of around \$1,200.00 before the checks that will cover these expenses can be deposited.

Beth Kidder April 25, 1998

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