

4-6-13 Blue River Quarterly Minutes

In Attendance: Jeff Brotemarkle, Dennis Darling, Rose Dennis, Michael Dennis (recording), David Finke, Dale Gardner, Sharon Haworth, Peter Lasersohn, Grayce & Neil Mesner, Mike Ruberton, Beth Schobernd, David Wixom (Clerk), and Judy Wolicki,

Minutes:

1. Meeting began with a moment of silence.
2. Meeting accepted Mike Dennis as temporary recording clerk for the meeting
3. 2013 Fall BRQ planning responsibilities:
 - o Saint Louis meeting will be responsible for planning the adult program
 - o Other small Southern Illinois meetings will be responsible for planning the youth program
4. There was a discussion of whether to remove the 2009 minute recommending the end of solitary confinement at TAMS prison from the home page as TAMS is now closed (it would still be in the regular minutes also on the website. Meeting agreed that it would be best to replace the current minute with a new one that focuses on the continuing issues with the treatment of prisoners in general (not limited to TAMS or Illinois). Bobbi Trist was asked to form an ad hoc committee with others interested in the topic to draft a minute for consideration at Fall Blue River Quarterly.
5. Grace gave the BRQ Treasurer's report:
 - o Balance on 9/22/12 – \$3,448.30
 - o Debits - \$4,397 to Dubois Center
 - o Credits - \$4,288.66 from Fall 12 fees (\$3987) and donations (\$297), and interest (\$4.66)
 - o Donations received included \$48 from Southern, \$200 from Columbia, \$49 from Bloomington-Normal
 - o Quarterly is glad that we have the resources to allow people to pay as they are able and to allow friends under age 19 can come for free.
6. Quarterly wishes to thank
 - o Dawn Rubbert for agreeing to become clerk,
 - o Steve Tamari continuing as recording clerk, and
 - o Marjorie Haworth-Davis continuing as treasurer
7. State of the meeting reports:
 - o Clear Creek Friends Meeting and Saint Louis Meeting members read from draft reports that will be submitted once approved.
 - o Informal updates were given by individual members on behalf Macomb worship group, Springfield Worship Group, and Urbana Campaign
 - o Beth Schobernd reported that Macomb Worship group is now under the care of Clear Creek Monthly Meeting,
4. Meeting closed with silent worship.