

Blue River Quarterly Meeting, held at Blue River the 28th of Ninth Month, 2019

Present in this meeting representing Bloomington-Normal Monthly meeting was Fariba Murray;

Representing Clear Creek Monthly Meeting (including Macomb Worship Group) were Beth Carpenter, Margie Haworth-Davis, Grayce Mesner, Neil Mesner, and Erin Taylor;

Representing Saint Louis Monthly Meeting were Margaret Katranides, Andrea Kintree, and David Wixom;

Representing Southern Illinois Monthly Meeting were Tom Hensold and Joseph Parr;

Representing Urbana-Champaign Monthly Meeting were Allie Boyaris, Dale Gardner, and Peter Lasersohn;

As a Visiting Friend on behalf of the Friends Committee on National Legislation was Tom Roberts of Noblesville Monthly Meeting (Western Yearly Meeting);

On behalf of our hosts at Blue River Monthly Meeting (Western Yearly Meeting) were Steve Trueblood, Rita Trueblood, and Aaron Fordyce;

Also very agreeably with us were David Finke and Nancy Finke of Oberlin, Columbia and 57th Street Meetings; Pam Kuhn of Lake Forest Meeting; and Jay Miller of South Bend Meeting.

With us for this gathering but not present in the business meeting were Duane Carpenter (Clear Creek), Diane Clark-Dennis (Clear Creek), Dawn Crimson (Southern Illinois), Sam Davis (Urbana-Champaign), Bella Dennis (Clear Creek), Mike Dennis (Clear Creek), Elias Drew (57th Street), Gabriela Drew (57th Street), Heather Evert (Bloomington-Normal), Liam Gardner (Urbana-Champaign and ILYM Youth Coordinator), Daniel Freire (Duneland), Sharon Haworth (Urbana-Champaign), Chris Jocius (Urbana-Champaign), Milo Johnson (Clear Creek), Brad Laird (South Bend), Hannah Laird (South Bend), Nathan Lasersohn (Urbana-Champaign), Marie Elena McGinnis (Fox Valley), Mark McGinnis (Fox Valley), Marcia Nelson (Downers Grove and Clerk of ILYM), Noel Pavlovic (Duneland), Sarah Pavlovic (Duneland), Rollie Perkins (Southern Illinois), Maurine Pyle (Southern Illinois), Phyllis Reynolds (Evanston), Zara Schobernd (Clear Creek), Steve Tamari (St. Louis), Lorelei Taylor-West (Macomb), Monica Tetzlaff (South Bend), Bobbi Trist (Urbana-Champaign), and Judy Wolicki (57th Street and ILYM Field Secretary).

1. The meeting opened in silence.
2. The clerk welcomed Friends to this special 200th-anniversary session of Blue River Quarterly Meeting, held in the "Old Blue River" Meetinghouse near Salem, Indiana. This is the building in which Blue River Quarterly held its opening session, the 16th of First Month, 1819. As the clerk pointed out, the last time Blue River Quarterly met in this building was Ninth Month 17, 1864; this session therefore represents a return after an absence of 155 years. It also represents a return to the Salem area after an absence of 72 years, having met last at the Highland Creek Meetinghouse Fifth Month 31, 1947.

3. The clerk welcomed Friends from outside Blue River Quarterly, who introduced themselves.
4. Tom Roberts reported on activities of the Friends Committee on National Legislation. Meetings are encouraged to report their concerns to FCNL. Each meeting is encouraged to have specific Friends designated as FCNL contacts for the meeting.
5. Friends expressed their gratitude to local F/friends of the Salem area for their hospitality. Our experience here has enriched our faith, and we are deeply appreciative.
6. Margie Haworth-Davis gave the Treasurer's Report (attached).
7. Friends approve a donation of \$500 to Blue River Monthly Meeting (of Western Yearly Meeting).
8. Erin Taylor reported on planning for the annual sessions of Illinois Yearly Meeting. This year, Blue River Quarterly Meeting is responsible for site planning. All coordinator positions have been filled; volunteers are still needed.
9. Friends gave informal reports on the states of their meetings:
 - Bloomington-Normal Meeting reports a recent birth, and a membership transfer from Clear Creek Meeting.
 - Clear Creek also reports the transfer. They have back issues of Plummer Lectures and ILYM Minutebooks available. Macomb Worship Group is reported not to be meeting.
 - St. Louis Meeting has been conducting an Introduction to Quakerism course. Its Peace, Justice and Social Concerns Committee is active, dealing especially with concerns about gun violence and climate change. Rolla Meeting is inactive. Its meetinghouse has been sold and the funds placed in escrow, in case the meeting is revived.
 - Urbana-Champaign Meeting reports strong attendance, and one recent death.
 - Southern Illinois Meeting reports itself active, with one new attender. The meeting has been reading the ILYM Faith and Practice during adult education sessions. The meeting has concerns about climate change and immigration policy, and has been considering how best to support a Friend who feels called to traveling ministry.
10. The clerk announced that our next gathering will be Fourth Month 3–5, 2020 at Camp CILCA near Springfield, Illinois. Planning for both the adult program and the children's program the responsibility of the "Northern" meetings — Clear Creek Monthly Meeting including Macomb and Burlington Worship Groups, Urbana-Champaign Monthly Meeting including Springfield Worship Group, and Spoon River Monthly Meeting.
11. Pam Kuhn reminded Friends of the most recent issue of *Among Friends*, which included an article on Blue River Quarterly Meeting. She encouraged Friends to submit articles and pictures to the next issue.

12. Margie Haworth-Davis is appointed to make a reservation with the DuBois Center for our Fall 2020 gathering.

13. The meeting closed with silence.

TREASURER'S REPORT TO BLUE RIVER QUARTERLY MEETING
28-Sep-19

Balance on Hand April 12, 2019: \$9,584.52

DEBITS

4/13/2019	Joy Duncan - Sat lunch	72.12
4/14/2019	Camp Cilca - Spring '19	2350.00
4/14/2019	Bobbie Trist - Sat lunch	36.49
6/22/2019	ILYM - speaker donation	500.00
	TOTAL DEBITS	2,958.61

CREDITS

4/14/2019	Spring '19 Fees & Donations	2,034.00
4/30/2019	Interest 30 days	1.20
5/27/2019	Spring '19 Fees & Donations	193.00
5/31/2019	Interest 31 days	1.17
6/16/2019	Donations	328.00
6/30/2019	Interest 30 days	1.17
7/31/2019	Interest - 31 days	1.23
8/31/2019	Interest - 31 days	1.23
9/10/2019	Fall '19 Fees & Donations	1,528.75
9/23/2019	Fall '19 Fees & Donations	831.75
	TOTAL CREDITS	4,921.50

Balance on Hand September 28, 2019: \$11,547.41

Apr '19 - Sep '19 Meeting Contributions:

5/27/2019	St. Louis	\$93
6/16/2019	Urbana-Champaign	\$328
9/10/2019	St. Louis	\$93
9/23/2019	Clear Creek	\$200