

Minutes
FMSA Meeting for Business
May 21st 2023

Attending:

- In Person: Bill Wilkinson, Rachael Cundey, Pat Sweet, Bill Sweet, Kara McGinnis, Gretchen Haynes, David Novogrodsky, Pam Spurgeon, Val Liveoak, Denise Wilkinson, James Mize, Stephen Shearer, Nathan Anderson
- On Zoom: Jim Spickard, James Goslin, Carol Redfield

The meeting opened with silent worship.

Prior Minutes

Friends approved the Minutes from the Apr 16th Meeting for Business without corrections.

Friends approved the Minutes from the Apr 23rd Called Business Meeting to consider the Meeting's response to FCNL's request for advice on a Quaker reproductive health policy without corrections.

Treasurer's Report: *reported by Bill Sweet*

Balance Sheet

- ✓ There is no other unusual activity to report.

Statement of Activities

- ✓ Undesignated contributions in April totaled \$290.00. Contributions to date are 15.2% of the 2023 budgeted general contributions at 33.3% of the year.
- ✓ Income for Facilities Use is \$385.00, 41.2% of budget at 33.3% of the year.
- ✓ As directed in the Ministry and Counsel report at the 16 April Meeting for Business, \$5,000.00 was sent from the Relief Fund to the named recipient.
- ✓ Grounds Maintenance was for mowing and tree trimming (\$3975.00).
- ✓ Major Repairs of \$13,400.00 is the replacement of the HVAC system in the Meetinghouse.
- ✓ The CPS bill In April is \$71.81 (\$68.70 last month) for 1.201 MWh (2.606 MWh last month) of electricity. The Big Sun Community Solar off-site photovoltaic panels gave us a credit of \$146.43 (\$128.77 last month). After charges for additional services, the bill totaled \$71.81 (\$68.70 last month).
 - ✓ Expenditure for electricity is 29.0% of the annual budget at 33.3% of the year.

- ✓ From the initial connection through April, payment for solar-generated electricity totals \$6,773.50, which averages to \$173.68 per month compared to the amortized capital cost of the panels of \$131.40 per month.
- ✓ The April bill for San Antonio Water System was \$104.91, a typical value.
- ✓ Other expenditures were routine.

DISCUSSION: Celebration Circle is no longer meeting here on Wednesdays, and the Monday group has dropped back from every week to 1 Monday per month. The yoga group is meeting every other week for the next couple of months. In summary, facilities use is down significantly from the recent past.

The new HVAC system will involve a new thermostat which has not yet arrived.

Friends accepted the Treasurer's report.

Finance Committee Report: *reported by Pat Sweet*

The Finance Committee discussed the deposit of the distributions from Friends Fiduciary (June and December) and minuted the following:

We authorize the Treasurer to deposit the distributions from Friends Fiduciary in June and December to the Sinking Fund until further notice.

DISCUSSION: Distributions are usually in the ballpark of \$4,000 and support the Sinking Fund which is often used for building repairs as our property ages.

MINUTE 2023.05.01: We authorize the Treasurer to deposit the distributions from Friends Fiduciary in June and December to the Sinking Fund until further notice.

Friends approved the minute.

Friends accepted the committee's report.

Naming Committee Report: *presented by Pat Sweet*

The Naming Committee (consisting of Bill Wilkinson and Jim Spickard, Clerks, Pat Sweet, Clerk of Finance and Julie Crum, Clerk of M&C) present the following First Reading of those to serve on the Nominating Committee for the next 3 years:

- + Denise Wilkinson
- + Julie Crum
- + Val Liveoak

The Second Reading will be at our June 18th Business Meeting. Please direct your questions or responses to one or more members of the Naming Committee before then.

DISCUSSION: We are open to considering further members of the Nominating Committee at the June Business Meeting.

Please note that Jim Spickard and Bill Wilkinson will not be clerking after December 31st of this year. Friends are advised to begin discernment now and reach out for discussion of the role of Clerk as you are led.

The Meeting has a history of supporting Friends who wish to clerk by sending them to clerk training classes, which previous new Clerks have found very valuable.

Friends accepted the committee's report.

Property Committee Report:

The Property Committee met on 16 May 2023. James Mize and Joni Mize attended. The following items were discussed.

- ✓ The Committee regrets a lapse in April.
- ✓ The water fountain was repaired (freeze damage) in late March.
- ✓ The new Phase I HVAC system was installed 14 April, great timing for the warm days ahead! It is expected to improve our CPS bill. Because of new units, spring checkup was cancelled (no invoice). Phase II system was checked by installers. Six-month HVAC maintenance for both systems will resume in the fall.
- ✓ Work on the Memorial Garden is still in process. The Committee aims for completion by 7 July.
- ✓ The Committee is considering putting Meetinghouse breezeway floodlights on a timer. Tenants have left these lights on multiple times.
- ✓ The Committee is aware of longstanding concerns about key control.
- ✓ Work day is scheduled for 20 May.

DISCUSSION: Rates for HVAC maintenance are going up, so this expense will be greater in the future.

Friends accepted the committee's report.

Ministry and Care Committee: *no report this month*

Religious Education Committee: *no report this month*

Meeting Announcements:

- All of the families with children who attended Meeting today were interested in a summer Children's Program. There will probably be a break while Gretchen is traveling, but the Children's Program will be available for part of the summer.
- Please sign up for tasks on the board as you are able and help teach others how to perform the tasks as needed.

The Meeting closed with silent worship.