

**Tampa Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends  
Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business**

**Minutes**

11 Tenth Month 2015

Opening worship

Meeting Clerk began the gathering with a quote:

*Our spiritual lives are incomplete, as individuals and as a faith community, unless we devote both time and energy to each of these meetings, or modes of being: worship and business. We cannot live in the Gospel Order, nor can we nurture it elsewhere in the world, without giving proper attention to meeting for business as well as meeting for worship.*

--Lloyd Lee Wilson, Essays on the Quaker Vision of Gospel

**Clerks**

Jan Dahm Meeting Clerk.

Cynde Mercer Recording Clerk.

**Attendees**

Tom Blackburn

Jan Dahm

Lisa Erasmus

Chris Hugues

Dustin Lemke

Cynde Mercer

Peter Schmidt

Wayne Schucker

Nancy Triscritti

Beverly Ward

Nil Wilkins

Barbara Wolfe

Five visitors

**Business**

Minutes of Ninth Month were approved as submitted.

Treasurer Chris Hugues reported that donations are coming in and the Meeting is about \$35,000 from our fundraising goal for the building. Meeting accepted the Treasurer's Report.

**Committee Reports**

First Day School – No report

Hospitality – No report

Library – No report

Ministry and Counsel – Nancy Triscritti reported that the next Friendly Dinner will be on Saturday October 24. There will be a meeting to further share about and set groups for the Spiritual Formation Program on First Day, 25 Tenth Month. Eduardo and Clara Diaz will lead a retreat for us February 12-14, the suggested topic is Deepening Our Worship. In our meeting for discerning the future use of our existing building two things became apparent: One was to move our library into our present worship space. The second was that the uses of this building will most likely be an evolving situation. Initially we will set up the two smaller rooms for Children's First Day School with the former library also serving as a meeting space for committees. We can see many uses for our current worship some of which are include -

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covered dish First Days, AA meetings, committee meetings, and of course a larger First Day School if we grow larger.

Naming – Jan Dahm reported that Lou Putney and Nancy Triscritti have agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee. The Naming Committee is laid down until 2016.

Nominating – No report

Peace and Social Concerns – No report

Property – Chris Hugues reported that progress continues on the new building, drywall installation is scheduled to begin next week. Painting (by Friends) should begin around October 22. Several projects need volunteers: Painting, pulling up and cleaning donated pavers and painting the interior of the worship space. The committee may decide to relocate the labyrinth once the new construction and grading is complete.

### **New Business**

A minute approving SEYM's Earthcare Committee and Field Secretary position is being held over until the Eleventh Month Meeting for Business.

### **Milestones**

No milestones were brought forth.

### **Calendar**

See TampaFriends.org.

Closing worship