

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

Minutes

13 First Month 2019

Opening worship

Meeting Clerk began the gathering with a reading:

It is frequently said that to bear this world, we must become toughened, callous, hard. The sadness of the city-evils, the blighted lives we see, the injustices, the pain and tears! Without a protective covering of indifference, it seems rational to say we cannot endure the world. But the Eternal Presence, shining upon time, gives us not a tough protection, but an exquisitely *tendered* spirit...

– *Thomas Kelly*

Clerks

Lisa Erazmus Meeting Clerk.

Cynde Mercer Recording Clerk.

Attendees

Marjorie Arnaldi
Deborah Breedon
Vincent Cobb
Jan Dahm

Lisa Erazmus
Pamela Graber
Chris Hugues
Zachary Mays

Cynde Mercer
Tiara Palmisano
Peter Schmidt
Kaya Thompson

Business

Minutes of Twelfth Month were approved with correction.

Treasurer Chris Hugues presented the Treasurer's report. We are well behind our income goal for 2018 (\$8,200 below our goal). This means we will have to postpone some things we had planned. Meeting accepts the Treasurer's report.

Committee Reports

Archives – No report.

Communications – No report.

First Day School – No report.

Hospitality and Housekeeping – Vincent Cobb reported that the committee has brought in blankets for people to use when cold; they are prepared for hospitality for the retreat on 26 First Month.

Library – No report.

Membership Recorder – No report.

Ministry and Counsel – Jan Dahm brought forth the Spiritual State of the Meeting Report for the second reading. Friends approve. Our Meeting retreat "Where is Spirit Leading Tampa Monthly Meeting?" is 26 First month from 9 am-5 pm. Lunch will be provided and dinner will be at restaurant. Winter interim meeting is 19 First Month and the Michener Lecture is 20 First Month at Orlando Meeting House.

Naming – No report.

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Nominating – No report.

Peace and Social Concerns – No report.

Property – Peter Schmidt reported that proposals for a new street sign are in the works. Demolition of the existing back porch has begun.

New Business

Minute One, First Month

Tampa Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends expresses profound appreciation to Jan Dahm for her six years of faithful service as clerk of Tampa Monthly Meeting. She has been a tender, Spirit-filled presence and a beacon of Light, wisdom, and gentle care for the Tampa Meeting community. We are truly grateful.

Milestones

None.

Calendar

See TampaFriends.org.

Closing worship