

Omaha Friends Meeting

Meeting for Business

31 August 2008

Present: Debbie, Frank, Carol, Dan and Lynda

Minutes from July 20 were approved with minor changes.

Calendar:

First Day:

- September 7 - Query 9 – Frank
- September 14 - Quakerism 101 – Carol
- September 21 - Business Meeting and Board of
Director's Meeting
- September 28 - TBA

Query: Query 8 response will be shared at the next Business Meeting.

Suggestions on writing query responses from the Yearly Meeting clerk were shared. These will be reviewed when we do the next few queries.

Treasurer: The report was approved.

Lynda will contact conveners regarding budget proposals for the upcoming fiscal year. From this input, she will present a proposed budget at the September Business Meeting. If conveners choose to not offer a suggested amount for their committees, the budgeted amount to be considered will remain the same for a yearly basis.

Peace and Social Concerns:

The Day House has been sold to Creighton University. The proceeds from the sale have been put into a trust. This will provide the income needed for Kevin McGuire, who ran the Day House for twenty years, to purchase a van that he will use to collect food from his many contacts and deliver that to the pantries around town. Our donation is no longer needed.

PULSE has determined that it will remain active. Carol will talk with Sadie and try to determine the state of the organization. This will assist us in considering leaving PULSE in our budget.

A donation of \$100 will be sent to FWCC in London to be given to address conditions of Georgian refugees, as a result of the Russian invasion.

Buildings and Grounds:

The house hunting has slowed. The search will continue as time allows.

Other:

The safety deposit box was arranged for free through Frank's and Lynda's checking account.

Carol and Debbie remain looking for a time to go over archived materials.

The annual Board of Directors' meeting will be held after September's Business Meeting.

Lynda will forward an email to Meeting regarding an environmental and social justice networking organization. Our relationship to this group will be discussed at the next Business Meeting. If you have comments and cannot attend, notify the clerk by September 17.