

Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting Executive Committee
May 20, 2017
Telephone Conference

1. Roll Call

Officers

Presiding Clerk: Betsy Neale
Assistant Presiding Clerk: Rex Sprouse, not present
Recording Clerk: Terre Holada
Assistant Recording Clerk: Paul Buckley sends regrets
Treasurer: Wilson Palmer
Assistant Treasurer: (vacant)
Statistician: Frank Huss, not present

Committee Clerks

Adult Young Friends: (no representative present)
Auditing: Veronica Frost not present
Braddock Fund: Wilson Palmer
Budget & Finance: Wilson Palmer
Earthcare: Marjorie Isaacs not present
Faith & Practice: Betsy Neale
Nominating: Richard Mitchell
Peace & Social Concerns: Richard Mitchell
Personnel: Wilson Palmer
Religious Nurture & Education: Nikki Coffey-Tousley send regrets
Web Administrator: Lonny Burger sends regrets
Yearly Meeting Planning: Richard Mitchell
Youth Services Committee: David Funck, Peter Hardy not present

Quarterly Meeting Clerks

Miami: Veronica Frost not present
Whitewater: Diann Herzog not present

Monthly Meeting Representatives

Bloomington: Charlotte Hess
Campus: (no representative present)
Clear Creek: Cathy Habschmidt
Community: Deborah Jordan
Dayton: (no representative present)
Eastern Hills: Wilson Palmer
Englewood: (no representative present)
Fall Creek: Diann Herzog not present
Fort Wayne: Terre Holada
Green Plain: (no representative present)

Lafayette: Michele Tomarelli
Lexington: Richard Mitchell
Louisville: (no representative present)
Miami: Lonny Burger sends regrets
North Meadow: Dinah Duvall
Oxford: Doug Jones sends regrets
White Rose: (no representative present)
Yellow Springs: Deb Kociszewski

Staff

Administrative Secretary: Deborah Jordan
Youth Secretary: vacant

2. Opening worship

3. The agenda was reviewed.

4. Treasurer's Report, Wilson Palmer

- A. Updated report is attached.
- B. We are still waiting for the last \$18,000.00 to come in to finish the fiscal year. Wilson is confident that most, if not all, of the expected donations will arrive.
- G. Report was accepted with gratitude.

5. Planning Committee, Richard Mitchell

- A. The committee met yesterday at Earlham to see the facilities and identify which activities will take place in which rooms. Equipment requirements were discussed.
- B. There are still some last minute details to work out, but overall the committee feels confident that they are ready.
- C. Registrations are still coming in.
- D. There is a pre-sessions workshop that will start at noon on Wednesday led by Fred Feitler on Friendly Retirement.
- E. The report was accepted.

6. Nominating Committee, Richard Mitchell

- A. Only a few Monthly Meetings have submitted names. There were questions from some meetings. Perhaps the request should be revised and repeated. Some of the issues raised were years of service (3, not 6) and the short time to respond to the request.
- B. Richard recommends the nominating committee meet early in the year in person to clarify needs. There will be a minimum of three conference calls following for updates.
- C. There are still some important positions that need filling like Assistant Clerk, Assistant Recording Clerk and Assistant Treasurer.
- D. There is still a week left for committee reports to be published in the *Reports in Advance* book for Yearly Meeting sessions. The YM clerk requested that Richard add to the Nominating Committee

advance report, providing a full description of the expectations for Nominating Committee members and how he anticipates the re-focused committee will function.

E. Friends are reminded that Yearly Meeting experience is not a requirement to serve the Yearly Meeting on Nominating Committee. Attendance at sessions is also not a requirement.

F. The report was accepted.

7. Letter from Lexington Friends Meeting

A. The letter addressed the situation of a problematic attender. The Meeting struggled under duress in dealing with this person for some time. Currently, he is restricted in participation while they continue to preserve the safe environment of their meeting and the needs of all individuals. This information was shared with other meetings that have dealings with this person.

B. Empathy is felt for Lexington Meeting. Friends will hold the situation in the Light.

Next meeting of the Executive Committee: The date may change in view of the change of date of sessions. Due to the low attendance today, there was hesitation to change the date at this meeting though a decision should be made soon. Betsy, Terre and Deborah will discuss it further.

The meeting closed with a period of worship and gratitude.

Respectfully submitted: Terre Holada, Recording Clerk