

Secretary's Report to EC 06/12/2010 to be held at Tampa Meeting House

This report describes activities that have taken place since EC Meeting, 03/31/2010.

General office activities following YBM:

Office work was anything but routine following YBM. Bookkeeping was being reviewed for the past 5-years for hand over to new clerk of Finance Committee. Both the treasurer and departing finance clerk had reviewed files, bringing everything up-to-date by the end of the fiscal year. My report for summer EC was written; vacation plans made to accommodate any number of Friends. The Gathering Committee has done a phenomenal job of getting required materials to the office in a timely manner both before YBM and to close out the fiscal year. The office is grateful that former clerk of the Yearly Meeting Dan Vaughn offered his expertise in dealing with the IRS regarding SEYM's non-profit status.

RE my report to EC: when I returned from Olney Friends School Commencement and reunions this past weekend, I found that the EC agenda and my draft-report were dealing with different concerns. Neither the clerk of Trustees nor I will be present. I do send my regrets, however. Please know it is with great joy that I am able to cheer for grandchildren Bailey and Louisa Willis (birthright members of Space Coast Meeting) as their varsity Mount Baker crews compete in the US Olympic 2010 USRowing Youth National Championship Regatta at Harsha Lake near Cincinnati this weekend. *I thank you for encouraging me to attend.*

Financial/Bookkeeping:

Routine financial bookkeeping is up to date. Several changes were made in the QBP database to accommodate keeping track of inventory for SEYM's first non-speaker author's booklet, *The Little Quaker Book of DeCutter*. Not only did the author contribute toward the printing cost, but has designated that profit be invested in the Gathering Youth Fund held by Friends Fiduciary Corporation.

Following up on the Secretary's Report on 03/31/2010, regarding differentiating the role of the Trustees and role of the SEYM Treasurer is laid over to EC Meeting at FIBM at the request of the clerk of IBM.

Website:

The online registration for YBM-Gathering 2010 ran quite smoothly with the major complaints being that some browsers frustratingly returned an error message and refused to submit data. Since this happened to the office several times when I attempted to make requested corrections, I do understand the frustration. Quite simply, the complexity of choices SEYM offers for housing and dining require the Excel spreadsheet to have more columns than Excel allows.

The new searchable Google-map of meetings designed by Mike Flanery looks great. It does require Mike, as IT, to keep it current. The office is very appreciative of his efforts on behalf of meetings.

Publications (Print and Electronic)

Sales of *The Little Quaker Book of DeClutter* by Ellie Caldwell are brisk. Both FGC and Pendle Hill bookstores carry our booklets. The office received the component parts of *Directory 2010-2011* but unfortunately there was insufficient time for printing and delivery to summer EC meeting. Please look for it in the mail by mid-summer. The three most recent Michener and Walton Lectures and reprint of Ben Pink Dandelion are anticipated to be published by FIBM. The summer newsletter is coming to fruition and should be in the mail by mid-summer.

Respectfully submitted by Lyn Cope