

Gainesville Monthly Meeting
of the Religious Society of Friends
Meeting for Worship with a concern for Business
July 13, 2003

Don Smith, presiding clerk

Connie Ray, recording clerk

15 present

The Seventh month queries were read by Gene Beardsley.

The Sixth month minutes were read, corrected and approved.

Treasurer's report was distributed and discussed. Some questions were raised. We will look at it again next month when the treasurer can be present to answer questions.

03-07-28 Gainesville Monthly Meeting approves the creation of a separate checking account for the Building Committee to be under the authority of the clerk of the Building Committee and one other person, into which funds minuted by the monthly meeting are deposited for use by the Building Committee.

Ministry and Oversight: Laura Winefordner reported that the committee is uncertain about the legal owners of the meeting and who could be sued. It was suggested that a lawyer be consulted.

The calendar for the Quaker Study Program and some Forums were announced. The committee has is updating the Meeting Handbook, continues to be concerned with how best to educate newcomers and encourage spiritual messages, and is considering a short period for "afterthoughts" after Meeting for Worship. The committee welcomes suggestions.

Peace and Social Concerns: Marilyn Muller reported a two day military counselor training is planned for August 30-31 with other peace groups. \$25 was sent to Megan Fogarty in Nicaragua. The committee decided to contribute \$25 for bug repellent for the homeless. Non-perishable food items are also needed. Susan Albury will be the SouthEastern Yearly Meeting Peace and Social Concerns correspondent.

The committee has also discussed Hiroshima Day, political buttons, and Peace Camp. It was suggested that the committee explore the possibility of recommending a child or two for the meeting to sponsor for Peace Camp next year.

03-07-29 Gainesville Monthly Meeting approves the letter drafted by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee to be sent to Cox Cable supporting public access T-V.

Bible Seminar: Don Smith reported that the group has completed its study of the Gospel

of John and has started a study of Paul's letter to the Galatians.

Religious Education: Gene Beardsley passed around the calendar.

Forum: Gene Beardsley announce plans to have "Centering Prayer" for the August forum.

Library: Gene Beardsley announced a new book, Friends for 350 Years , has been added to the library.

Building Committee: Morrie Trimmer reported that the survey has been completed and the building has been sited on the land. The neighborhood meeting has been scheduled for Saturday, August 2nd at 9 a.m. An energy engineer has been hired. The committee is exploring the possibility of installing a solar electric system.

03-07-30 Gainesville Monthly Meeting approves the expenditure of \$500 by the Building Committee for an energy engineer.

03-07-31 Gainesville Monthly Meeting authorizes the Building Committee Clerk to spend up to \$1,000 during any month for expenditures not otherwise authorized and to report back any such expenditures to the next business meeting. This minute amends minute **03-05-22**.

Old Business: We discussed setting up an E-mail or telephone tree list. We will consider this further next month.

New Business:

03-07-32 Gainesville Monthly Meeting minutes its appreciation to Laura Winefordner for a wonderful weekend at her house in Flagler Beach.

The meeting closed with silence.