

Gainesville Monthly Meeting
of the Religious Society of Friends
Meeting for worship with a concern for Business
August 10, 2003

Don Smith, presiding clerk
Connie Ray, recording clerk

15 present

Queries for the Eighth Month were read by Brenda Bayne.

Minutes for the Seventh Month were read, corrected and approved.

Nominating Committee: Gene Beardsley reported that Annie McPherson needs to lay down the responsibilities of treasurer. Adrian Timmers has agreed to take the position.

03-08-33 Gainesville Monthly Meeting approves the appointment of Adrian Timmers as treasurer.

The treasurer's report for July was distributed.

It was suggested that the auditor audit the books before handing them over to Adrian. It was noted that the treasurer has had the responsibility of placing advertising. Gene Beardsley agreed to take this responsibility.

03-08-34 Gainesville Monthly Meeting authorizes Gene Beardsley to place advertisements on the Saturday Religion Page of the Gainesville Sun, at least one other advertisement in an alternative publication and to prepare and distribute a flyer to be placed in strategic locations.

Clearness Committee: Jean Larson reported that the committee, consisting of Jean Larson, Hillary Timmers, and Judy Shea, recommend Marilyn Muller for membership.

03-08-35 Gainesville Monthly Meeting joyously welcomes Marilyn Muller in membership in the Religious Society of Friends.

Morrie Trimmer objected to our change in membership procedure to the newly adopted membership section of the SouthEastern Yearly Meeting Faith and Practice.

Ministry and Oversight: Laura Winefordner reported that the archives have been taken to the University of Florida by the Brennans. She has notified Bill Rapp of their willingness to be the contact persons.

Peace and Social Concerns: Brenda Bayne reported that the committee will try to

identify several young people to attend Peace Camp in 2004. The Friends World Committee for Consultation questionnaire on what we're doing for peace has been answered. Training for the G.I. Hotline was discussed. Six or seven from the committee expect to attend. A forum on Pro Nica is being planned. There is the possibility of an event on August 21 planned with the Center for Development in Central America. Judy Shea will read a few relevant quotes regarding Hiroshima after Meeting for Worship. Money collected for bug spray for the homeless has been delivered. A sign-up sheet has been made to encourage people to write letters to the editor on peace and social concerns.

Gene Beardsley reported that out of the forum on August 3rd came an interest in participating in the American Friends Service Committee infant care kit project. It was proposed that 10 kits be made and that Peace and Social Concerns Committee organize the project and appeal to the whole meeting to contribute.

Building Committee: Morrie Trimmer reported on six recommendations by the energy consultant including exterior walls, foundation, windows, attic insulation, water heating, and solar energy. The neighborhood meeting had two neighbors in attendance. Soil borings for stormwater drainage have been made. Corners of the 30'x50' rectangle have been staked. Parking has been sited on the property.

03-08-36 Gainesville Monthly Meeting authorizes the Building Committee to spend \$1200 for soil borings for stormwater treatment, and \$150 for a survey to stake out the corners of the building.

03-08-37 Gainesville Monthly Meeting approves submitting by August 13, 2003 a development plan review for a new meetinghouse at 702 N.W. 38th Street and a special use permit for a place of religious assembly in an area zoned RFS-1.

On August 28 the Plan Board, Ecological Overlay District, will meet and change the rules. On September 11 the Building Committee meets with the Plan Board concerning the site development and special use permit. On September 18 the City of Gainesville will rule on the special use permit.

Newsletter: Gene Beardsley reported on deadlines.

Religious Education: Gene Beardsley passed around the calendar.

House and Hospitality: Dick Beardsley reported that the Unitarian Youth group wants the use of the meetinghouse on Wednesday nights again this year. Dick will get a formal letter requesting this use including a contact person.

Old Business: The clerk will collect E-mail addresses of those willing to be on the clerk's E-mail list. Others will be notified by telephone of important events.