# Tampa Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business

## Minutes

11 Twelfth Month 2016

## Opening worship

Meeting Clerk began the gathering with a quote:

The Second Door: The Door Inward

... has three important qualities. The first is desire, a profound yearning to be in the Presence; "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." ... The second is focus... And the third is trust, a synonym of faith, for it takes trust to go out into the deep water; it takes trust to let go and rest or float in the deep and Living Water of the Stream.

- William Taber, PHP No. 306, Four Doors to Meeting for Worship

### Clerks

Jan Dahm Meeting Clerk. Cynde Mercer Recording Clerk.

## **Attendees**

Jan Dahm	Dustin Lemke	Barbara Wolfe
Lisa Erazmus	Cynde Mercer	Rose Yerrakuda
Chris Hugues	Karen Putney	Roy Yerrakuda
Karen Kessel	Nancy Triscritti	Cecilia Yocum

### Business

Minutes of Eleventh Month were approved as submitted.

Treasurer Chris Hugues reported that we have spent about \$4,000 more than we had budgeted this month. We are so far not incurring significant expenses for maintenance and we have some major items in the budget we could choose to forego to maintain our budget. We also have about \$3,000 in the worship space building budget that we did not use for the building that we may decide to reallocate to general expenses.

Meeting accepted the Treasurer's report from November.

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## **Committee Reports**

First Day School – No report.

Hospitality and Housekeeping – No report.

Library – No report.

Ministry and Counsel – Nancy Triscritti reported that the committee thanks all who have contributed to support the Christmas family from Schmidt Elementary this year; Adult First Day School will begin again in January; the Spiritual State of the Meeting Report is being created. WIBM is in Orlando Saturday, on January 14 and the Michener Lecture is on Sunday, January 15. There will be a Friendly Dinner on Saturday January 28 and a Getting to Know You talk on Sunday January 29. Dustin Lemke read Chris Hugues' letter requesting membership. The clearness committee enthusiastically recommends Chris for membership with Tampa Quakers. The meeting welcomes Chris into membership.

Naming – No report.

Nominating – No report.

Peace and Social Concerns – Karen Putney reported that the meeting has received an invitation to a inter-faith community potluck picnic on New Year's Day. The organizers would like for the meeting to be a sponsor. Meeting approves.

Property – Chris Hugues reported that the committee is revisiting our existing Meeting space usage guidelines and seeks meeting's guidance on policies and rental charges. The committee also seeks meeting guidance on a new sign. The committee is contemplating changing the entrance gate to a chain.

## **New Business**

None.

#### Milestones

The Meeting welcomes Chris Hugues as a new member.

#### Calendar

See TampaFriends.org.

Closing worship

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