

Scattergood Friends School  
School Committee Meeting  
Open Session Minutes – 7 November, 2020  
Conducted via Zoom

**Mission Statement**

**Scattergood Friends School challenges students with a college-preparatory curriculum, farm experience, a shared work program, and community living in the spirit of Quaker faith.**

**Present:** Ruth Hampton, Laël Gatewood, Bob Winkleblack, George Bergus, Roy Helm, Kent Tjossem, Alex Lippitt, Bob Winchell, Tom Wahl, Aaron Woolfson, Matt Zisk, Nancy Jordan, Charlie Johnson, David Wilcox, Karen Greenler

**Regrets:**

**Staff Present:** John Zimmerman, Kim Jones, Irving Treadway, Hanna Nicolausson, Jenevieve Beben, Jessica Ireland, Steve Nordland, Dana Foster

Friends settled into silent worship in a timely manner. The clerk shared the following message:

*“When we are together more become possible. When we are together, joy is available. In the midst of a world that is insane, that will continue to surprise us with new outrages, in the midst of that future, the gift is each other.”*

~Margaret Wheatly, The Gift of the Servant Leader

We shared introductions of returning staff and new School Committee members.

John Zimmerman shared a description of Scattergood’s smallpox epidemic of 1914 from Bob Berquist’s history of the school. It was reassuring to hear that we have “been here” before and survived, as well as noting that we have more resources than we did then!

**MINUTE: We approve the minutes, open and closed, of September 12, 2020.**

We proceeded into our Closed Session Retreat.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Greenler, recording clerk

This year’s School Committee meeting dates are: 1/16, 3/13, 5/1, 7/20.

FYI: There is a SC page with information on the school website [scattergood.org](http://scattergood.org). Use the drop-down under “About” and click on “School Committee”. At the end of that paragraph click on “School Committee Website”.