

Representatives Report

Drawing strength from the silence, the 2016 IYMC annual sessions Representatives completed all important business within the time allowed. We were blessed with a full representation from all our Monthly Meetings throughout the week. We approved the Nominating Committee brought forward by the Monthly Meetings, appointed readers for Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business sessions, appointed members of several committees to serve during our annual sessions, and found Friends to call the business meeting into session on Fourth Day and break Meeting on First Day.

With our Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, the Representatives proposed a budget for the coming year which is similar to the approved budget of last year. A transfer of \$1,000 to the Reserve Fund was approved with the recommendation the Reserve Fund have a cap of \$5,000. The Treasurer has authority to use the Reserve Fund for cash flow. A line item addition for one year of \$200 to the FCNL "Now Is The Time" Capital Campaign was approved. All other contributions stayed the same including the \$54,000 contribution to Scattergood and a special contribution to Scattergood of \$2,000 for facilities. Two Monthly Meetings increased their apportionment for a total increase of \$300. All other Monthly Meetings were agreeable in maintaining their apportionment at current levels.

The 2016 IYMC Representatives recognize the benefit of making Nominating Committee a standing committee throughout the year. We make this recommendation.

The 2015 IYMC Representatives asked the Clerk to convene a committee to explore if there are changes we could make that would increase participation in our Yearly Meeting. Due to time constraints and because the Clerk felt there was some ground work to be done, a committee was never formed. The Clerk asked all the Monthly Meeting Clerks what they loved about being a Friend in their Meeting and asked them to take the question to their respective Meetings. The responses were shared with Interim Meeting. Interim Meeting requested the Clerk ask the Monthly Meetings to think about what would need to change in order for one to attend yearly meeting? The Clerk received responses to the question and passed them on to the Representatives at IYMC 2016 annual sessions..

The 2016 IYMC Representatives recommend the formation of an "Iowa Yearly Meeting (Conservative) Possibilities" ad hoc committee as follows: Representatives will return to his/her Monthly Meeting, Preparative Meeting, or Worship Group requesting they appoint one member to serve on the ad hoc committee. The committee member will talk to members of their respective meetings, consider the replies to the Clerk's questions, explore ways to build relationships between IYMC Friends outside the Monthly Meeting and consider ideas to increase participation in IYMC annual sessions. Each ad hoc committee member will report on the progress at Interim Meeting. We recommend Carole Winkleblack as convener of the ad hoc committee.

We express appreciation for the service to the Yearly Meeting by our Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and Statistical Recorder. We suggest the Friends named below be appointed to serve for the coming year. Please note our current Treasurer, Jean Sandstrom, asked to step aside to Assistant Treasurer, for personal reasons.

Clerk	Deborah Dakin
Assistant Clerk	George Bergus
Treasurer	Rebecca Bergus

Assistant Treasurer
Statistical Recorder

Jean Sandstrom
Tim Shipe

It was suggested moving the IYMC checking/savings accounts to a financial institution accessible to both the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. There are at least two credit unions with offices in both Iowa City and Des Moines. The IYMC Representatives recommend the Yearly Meeting authorize the Treasurer to select one of these credit unions for our accounts. We suggest the authorized signers on said accounts be Rebecca Bergus, Treasurer; Jean Sandstrom, Assistant Treasurer; and Deborah Dakin, Clerk.

We recommend the next annual sessions for Iowa Yearly Meeting (Conservative) be held at Scattergood Friends School, Seventh Month 25 to Seventh Month 30, 2017.

On behalf of the 2016 IYMC Representatives,
Cindy Winchell, clerk

IYMC Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 (7/01/16 - 6/30/17)	
Contributions	
American Friends Service Committee	\$ 1,000.00
Friends Committee on National Legislation	\$ 1,000.00
FCNL Now Is the Time Capital Campaign (one-time donation)	\$ 200.00
Friends General Conference	\$ 200.00
Friends World Committee for Consultation	\$ 700.00
Iowa Peace Network	\$ 100.00
Nebraskans for Peace	\$ 400.00
Friends Peace Teams	\$ 500.00
NRCAT	\$ 100.00
Pendle Hill	\$ 500.00
Peace and Social Concerns Committee	\$ 1,100.00
Quaker Earthcare Witness	\$ 300.00
Quaker United Nations Office	\$ 200.00
Right Sharing of World Resources	\$ 400.00
Scattergood Friends School	\$ 54,000.00
Scattergood Facilities	\$ 2,000.00
William Penn House	\$ 300.00
Total Contributions	\$ 63,000.00
Delegate Expenses	
FCNL	\$ 1,200.00
Friends Peace Teams	\$ 1,200.00
FWCC - General	\$ 1,200.00
Quaker Earthcare Witness	\$ 900.00
Conservative Yearly Meeting Visitation	\$1,200.00
Total Delegate Expenses	\$ 5,700.00
Yearly Meeting Expenses	
Archives Committee	\$ 200.00
Clerk's and Other Adm. Expenses	\$ 400.00
Committee Expenses (Other)	\$ 300.00
Conscientious Objector PSC subcommittee	\$ 100.00
Friends Travel & Conference	\$ 1,000.00
Iowa Yearly Meeting Trustees	\$ 1,000.00
Junior Yearly Meeting	\$ 1,500.00
Pendle Hill Scholarship Match	\$400.00
Publication Committee	\$ 3,200.00
Quaker Youth Camp Scholarship	\$ 500.00
Special Needs Committee	\$ 750.00
Young Adult Friends	\$ 300.00
Young Friends	\$ 1,500.00
Midyear Planning Committee if receipts inadequate*	\$ 500.00
YM Entertainment Committee if receipts inadequate*	\$ 500.00
Contingency Fund	\$ 1,000.00
Transfer to Reserve Fund	\$1,000.00
Total YM Expenses	\$ 14,150.00
Total Budget	\$ 82,850.00
Cash balance available for budget	\$ 11,844.20
Monthly meeting apportionments	\$ 71,660.00
Total anticipated funds available for budget	\$ 83,504.20
Starting balance Reserve Fund	\$ 3,000.00

Fiscal Year 2017		
Monthly Meeting Apportionments		
Name	Amount	%
Ames	\$ 4,400.00	6.1%
Bear Creek	\$ 5,500.00	7.7%
Decorah	\$ 1,500.00	2.1%
Des Moines Valley	\$ 15,492.00	21.6%
Iowa City	\$ 6,000.00	8.4%
Lincoln	\$ 7,200.00	10.0%
Omaha	\$ 3,252.00	4.5%
Paullina	\$ 8,500.00	11.9%
Penn Valley	\$ 5,500.00	7.7%
West Branch	\$ 11,216.00	15.7%
Whittier	\$ 3,100.00	4.3%
Total Apportionments	\$ 71,660.00	100%