

## New York Quarterly Meeting, Religious Society of Friends

Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business

April 17, 2022

### Attendance:

Clerk: Katherine Alford (Morningside)

Morningside:

Recording Clerk: Sarah Way (Brooklyn)

Staten Island:

Brooklyn:

NYQM General Manager: yes

Fifteenth Street:

Visitors/Unidentified:

Flushing:

Manhattan:

2022.04.01. Our meeting for business begins at 1:00 p.m. Out of the silence Katherine Alford, clerk, shares a reading:

For, Friends, you should be as lights, or as a city that cannot be hid; and as the salt of the earth, to be a good savour: take heed of losing the salt's savour, either in word or conversation; for if you do, you will come under the foot of men, they will trample upon you; therefore be careful, fervent, circumspect, and faithful in the Truth, and let your moderation, temperance, and sobriety appear to all ~~men~~, showing forth the work of the Spirit ~~Lord~~, and your honesty and justness in all your words and dealings between each other ~~man and man~~; and owe nothing to anyone ~~man~~ but love, that every one of you may be adorned with a meek and quiet spirit, which is with the Lord of great price: and be endued with wisdom from on high, which is pure and peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, and full of mercy and good works; let the fruits of this wisdom appear among you all, and then you will all be gentle and easily entreated one of another.

—George Fox. *Selections from the Epistles of George Fox: Abridged (Kindle Locations 893-897). Association of Friends, for the diffusion of religious and useful knowledge. Kindle Edition.*

2022.04.02. The clerk welcomes everyone present, and shares appreciation for everyone's flexibility with a late change to holding the meeting online only.

2022.04.03. The clerk reviews the agenda, and Friends approve it.

2022.04.04. Richard Accetta-Evans presents a [report](#) from the Nominating Committee. The report is attached. Friends approve the roster of nominations with gratitude.

2022.04.05. Charlene Ray presents a [report](#) from the Audit and Budget Committee. The report is attached and approved.

2022.04.06. Ann Kjellberg gives a quarterly [report](#) from the Communications Committee, attached. Monthly meetings will soon be able to host their websites on the new NYQM website. A new database is being developed from which meeting directories can be generated.

2022.04.07. The NYQM Ministry & Counsel presents [a report](#), attached. M&C has been asked to form a committee that will develop procedures for a new Witness Concerns budget line. Robert Baldrige, Corona Machamer, and Margery Cornwell volunteer to serve on this committee, which Paul von Linden Tol has already agreed to serve on. It is hoped that representatives from Flushing and Manhattan Meeting will be found to join the committee. Ed Elder will serve as clerk. Friends accept the report.

2022.04.08. At 2:01 p.m., Glenn Josey called to order the annual meeting of the NYQM corporation and gave the report from the Trustees. The minutes for the meeting of the corporation are available here:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lIGJ1y85\\_l\\_86\\_XPuS5IR2vCPoUCnW5bPzj2Oc7ZSto/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lIGJ1y85_l_86_XPuS5IR2vCPoUCnW5bPzj2Oc7ZSto/edit?usp=sharing)

Friends receive the report from the Trustees, which includes the audited financial statements, with the addition of Bob Wilbur to the list of NYQM employees.

2022.04.09. Carol Summar presents [the report](#) from 15th Street Meeting, attached. A wedding of yearly meeting Friends will soon take place at the meeting, and the shelter has reopened three days a week. Friends accept the report.

2022.04.10. Jonathan Fluck, part of a new Clerking Committee, presents [the report](#) from Brooklyn Meeting, which is attached. Meetings for worship and community dinner continue to be held and First Day School has restarted on a limited basis.

2022.04.11. Charlene Ray, on behalf of clerk Jason McGill, presents [the report](#) from Morningside Meeting, attached. Morningside continues to meet for worship in a hybrid in-person and online format. The meeting continues to work toward becoming an anti-racist community.

2022.04.12. Jeffrey Guyton presents [the report](#) from Flushing Meeting. The meeting has accepted a new member who lives in Vietnam and has been attending worship over Zoom. A new rose garden is being planted and a significant amount of community outreach has continued. Friends accept the report, which is attached.

2022.04.13. Ted Lochwyn presents [the report](#) from Staten Island Meeting. They have been meeting virtually but plan to resume meetings on the beach in May. The report is accepted and attached

2022.04.14. Gloria Thompson gives a verbal report from Manhattan Monthly Meeting. The meeting's theme for the year is Resilience. Pastor David Herendeen continues to lead weekly, virtual, semi-programmed worship. Friends accept the report.

2022.04.15. The upcoming dates for NYQM are reviewed. The next meeting will be at the Quaker cemetery in Brooklyn in July. The shifting of the date of the NYQM meeting on the third Sunday of April was discussed, as it often falls on Easter. The Trustees will consider making this change. Next year, Easter is on April 9, so the quarterly meeting will not conflict.

2022.04.16. The clerk expresses much gratitude for the work and energy of everyone present. The meeting ends at 3:00 p.m. after a period of worship.

### **UPCOMING NYQM DATES:**

#### ***2022:***

July 16th: Saturday, Quaker Cemetery, Prospect Park, Brooklyn  
October 16th: Flushing Monthly Meeting, Flushing

#### ***2023:***

January 15, Brooklyn Monthly Meeting  
April 16, 15th Street Monthly Meeting