

The Children's Program Committee Report

February 10th 2018

The Children's Program Committee began its 2018 work with a conference call on January 27, 2018. The committee welcomed new members, who were all able to participate in that initial call.

During the meeting, members agreed on the hiring of Nathan Secrest as the Children's Program Coordinator. However, members agreed that because of the current regulatory environment, hiring an employee was inappropriate.

At our February 8th meeting members decided to offer Nate a voluntarily position with a stipend of \$1500.00 for work before, during, and after 2018's Annual Session. We came to the amount of the stipend after much deliberation. Nate accepted. The committee stated that this arrangement will stand only for 2018. Nate had already clarified that 2018 would be his last year as Coordinator.

The CPC also seeks a Co-Coordinator who would be willing to assume the position of Coordinator in 2019 and hopefully beyond. The person approached for this position has not confirmed that she will be able to take it. Nate agreed to actively train the new candidate at the Annual Session. Please let us know if you know someone in PYM who would want to be a Co-Coordinator this year.

The CPC seeks to form a Curriculum Sub-Committee. If you are interested in joining the sub-committee, or know of someone who would, please contact us. Nate agreed to serve on the sub-committee and suggested that members look into already existing curricula such as Quaker Earthcare Witness.

The CPC has begun its 2018 process of choosing teachers for the Annual Session. At least two former teachers have stated that they do intend to teach this year. If you are interested, or know someone who we should contact to be a teacher, connect with one of our committee or Nate.

Last year the committee had a budget of \$12,500.00. With the purchase of the trailer our transportation costs have been greatly reduced. We have told Finance our budget for this year is \$11,000.00.

Again, if you or anyone from PYM is interested in being a teacher this year at annual session, or being a Co-Coordinator, or would like to be part of the Curriculum Sub-Committee, connect with Peggy Craik during Rep Com or connect with anyone on our committee.

Respectfully submitted, Chamba Cooke and Peggy Craik, Co-Clerks of the Children's Program Committee