MINUTES
PYM Representative Committee

Sunday, August 1, 1982
Chico, California

The Meeting opened in silence: let our hearts be so humble that God can meet with us on this earth; let us remember that it is important to "be."

Eleanor Foster, presiding Clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting, welcomed us to the task of preparing for the coming sessions of Pacific Yearly Meeting. Madge and Ben Seaver were introduced as guests invited to attend Representative Committee meetings. Friends introduced themselves (attendees listed on Attachment #1). The minutes of the Representative Committee at Berkeley, March 6, 1982, were approved with corrections in the items listed and available as Attachments to those minutes. The Attachment, "Guideline for applications for the Fund for Concerns" will be made available at the Representative Committee Meeting on Monday. Changes and additions to the Agenda were noted and accepted.

CONCERNS
Three concerns have been forwarded for consideration by Pacific Yearly Meeting:

Peace Tax Fund: The following minute from Redwood Forest Meeting was approved in principle by the College Park Quarterly Meeting and forwarded to PYM for further seasoning:

"Because more than half of the United States' budget is spent on war-related purposes, and tax resistance may be the most direct and meaningful way to oppose the militarization of our country, Redwood Forest Meeting proposes that a consideration of the already-successfully functioning New England Friends Peace Tax Fund be considered for approval in essence and be forwarded to Pacific Yearly Meeting for adoption this year with any minor changes felt necessary."

The CPQM Peace and Social Order Committee was asked to work with the PYM Peace Committee so that the idea comes to PYM in its most mature and useful form. This concern has been referred to the Peace Committee.

Friends and the Draft: Delta Meeting has forwarded the concern of Samuel R. Tyson to Pacific Yearly Meeting to be reviewed further. Delta Meeting did not find unity upon the conviction of Sam Tyson, but felt so deeply held a conviction by an experienced Friend should be heard.
"Therefore it seems equity would demand
that the Religious Society of Friends not seek
for renewal of, nor inclusion of conscientious
objection in any proposed draft. To do so would
be seeking special favor for Friends to the detri-
ment of others because any draft cannot fail to
discriminate on the basis of religion, economic
class and color. Efforts which make SSS work
more smoothly create a moral dilemma. Supporting
war making powers of the State does not lead to
clearness for young Friends." (See Attachment
#2 for statement in its entirety.)

This concern has been forwarded to the Peace Committee.

Human Rights: The following minute was approved by Sacramento
Meeting:

"Sacramento Meeting urges Pacific Yearly Meeting
to minute its concern regarding, and request its
members and attenders to write to the President
and to their representatives in Congress pro-
testing, human rights violations in Iran under
the Khomeni government."

The minute has been forwarded to the Social Order Committee.

Gerri House moved by a sense of urgency for the cause of Pacific-
Ackworth, requested plenary session time. This concern was forwarded
to the Education Committee, to be reported back later in the week as
appropriate.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR PYM, 1982.

PYM Schedule Review. Rosalie Pizzo Strain, Assistant Clerk of
Yearly Meeting, noted minor changes to the Agenda for Pacific
Yearly Meeting Sessions.

Arrangements. Bob Barnes, Arrangements Clerk, reviewed issues that
had been worked through with the management of Craig Hall - meal hours,
rug laying, pool use, room readiness, keys. Clerk Eleanor
Foster reminded us that a contract is only the beginning, not the
end of a relationship.

Registrar. Sheila Moran, Registrar, reported that 451 people had
registered prior to the arrival at Craig and 20 more had registered
since.

JUNIOR FRIENDS
Aaron Cole, Clerk of Junior Friends, stated that a schedule of
Junior Friends activities would be posted, and that anyone who had
questions or anything to say can speak to him. Bob Jolly, member
of the Junior Friends Yearly Meeting Committee, informed us that young Friends will act as greeters and guides on Monday as attenders at PYM arrive. He stated that Mike Turner will be leading singing throughout PYM and that all are invited to join. Finally, he reported that Junior Friends have requested that the food machines be disconnected. After some discussion, the suggestion was referred to the Arrangements Committee for consideration in plans for future PYM gatherings.

INTEREST GROUPS
Rosalie Pizzo Strain reported that there are many interest groups proposed. In particular, the Peace and Social Order Committees are attending to many concerns in preparation for items that may be brought to plenary sessions of PYM.

WORSHIP - FELLOWSHIP GROUPS
Jane Peers, Clerk of the Groups on Worship Fellowship Committee noted that there are twenty seven worship fellowship groups this year and that there will be a special worship fellowship group at 3:30 pm for workers in the children’s programs.

EPISTLE COMMITTEE
Laura Magnani, Clerk of Ministry and Oversight Committee, read the names of members of the Epistle Committee for this Yearly Meeting: Sang Dal Cha, Convenor; Robert Schutz and Gerri House.

FRIENDS JOURNAL REPORTER
Clerk Eleanor Foster stated that Madge Seaver will prepare a report of this Yearly Meeting for the Friends Journal.

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Walter Klein, Clerk of Finance Committee, distributed "Suggested Guidelines for PYM Officer and Committee Expenditures," and "Travel Expense Reimbursement Policies," which set down the administrative procedures generally used within PYM. Representative Committee will be asked to approve these written procedures after members have had an opportunity to review them. (See Attachment #3)

Because of unanticipated travel expenses, the Discipline Committee has exceeded its 1981 - 82 Budget. Representative Committee APPROVED:

REPCOM 82-22 The 1981 - 82 budgeted amount for the Discipline Committee shall be increased from $600 to $800 to cover unanticipated travel expenses.
COMMITTEE PLANS FOR PLENARY SESSION INTEREST GROUPS

Ministry and Oversight. Laura Magnani outlined the interests groups on Friends' "skills" that are being sponsored by Ministry and Oversight: "Clerking," led by Eleanor Foster; "Development Leadership and Working on Committees," by Russ Jorgenson and Eric Moon; "The Nitty - Gritty of Record - Keeping," by John Draper; and "How to be a Live Member," by Madge Seaver. In addition, there will be an interest group focused on "The Future of Yearly Meeting," led by Lowell Tozer, and another on Mental Illness sponsored by the Subcommittee on Mental Illness. There will be two sharing groups: one on women's issues, led by Shirley Ruth; and another a poetry workshop by Jeanne Lohman.

Discipline Committee. Pegge Lacey, Clerk of Discipline Committee, announced that the last 100 copies of the 1973 version of PYM's Faith and Practice will be on sale in the bookstore. The Committee will continue its work through the coming year. Work is underway on the section concerning the organization and structure of Pacific Yearly Meeting: appropriate sections of that piece are being distributed to officers for comment and review at this Yearly Meeting.

The Committee proposes to use PYM plenary time available to it for consideration of two questions:

What is "discipline"?

How do you use Faith and Practice? Do you use it as a club? a hiding place? a License? Or as a ticket to anarchy?

Eleanor Foster expressed gratitude for the amount of hours expended by the Committee in their work on behalf of PYM.

Social Order Committee. Elizabeth Israel Jones, member of the Committee reported that Social Order will use the plenary session to share the flavor of the interest groups to be sponsored by the Social Order Committee: the "Economics of Fear" led by Pat Marrone; "Workcamps," by Margo McBane; a report on Whittier Institute's recent conference on USSR - US relations, led by Paul Niebanck and Herb Foster; and two groups on human rights, one focused on Iran, and another on Central America, led by Susan Wood of AFSC and Mark Shepard.

At this plenary session, Edith Cole of Claremont Meeting, will share with us her understanding of moving from fear to trust and despair to hope in the face of the nuclear threat.
Eleanor Foster took this opportunity to review the manner in which a concern moves from a meeting or an individual or a group to a plenary session of PYM through attention and discussion by a committee of PYM and then to the floor of plenary if appropriately seasoned and action is required.

YOUNG FRIENDS

Lisa Hubbell, Clerk of Young Friends, told us of Young Friends plans for a panel on Thursday morning: "Nurturing Our Spiritual Basis and Waiting on the Lord - Do We Really Do It Like We Say We Do?". There are three queries to be considered:

How do you see and connect with that of God within yourself?

How are you seeking to make your actions and decisions consistent with your spiritual basis?

How do we practice, particularly in business meeting, the love and trust that we as a community profess to have for each other?

The focus is on our personal connection to God and how we move into community.

It is unfortunate that the Young Friends panel is scheduled as the same time as Representative Committee meeting. Young Friends hope to participate in plenary sessions and want older Friends to participate in Young Friends activities: "Each one of you is very very welcome to come and be part of Young Friends activities. We hope you will see it as another opportunity among the many at PYM."

Clerk Eleanor Foster observed that the Young Friends were calling us back to ourselves.

The meeting closed with silence.

Linda Niebanck
Recording Clerk
MINUTES
PYM Representative Committee
Monday, August 2, 1982
Chico, California

The Meeting opened in silent worship. Eleanor Foster, Presiding Clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting called us to our task: all of these days we are open together, to listen, to prepare, to be ready, to move.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR PYM, 1982

Children's Program. Marilee Eusebio, Clerk of the Childrens Committee, reported that the plans and arrangements for the children at PYM are in the capable hands of Mary Miche. Each person over eighteen is urged to find a Friend under eighteen to befriend for PYM.

Secretariat. The Secretariat requested Representative Committee to authorize the purchase of a used, Selectric typewriter for $400. Additional funds may be necessary for a maintenance agreement; uses of the machine between Yearly Meetings should be considered. Representative Committee APPROVED:

REPCOM 82-23
The Secretariat's request for purchase of a typewriter is forwarded to the Finance Committee, with a recommendation for approval.

CONSIDERATION OF SITES FOR PYM

The Sites Committee has submitted a written report and, as no representative of the committee was present, Eleanor Foster summarized the report. Rosalie Pizzo Strain, Assistant Clerk of Yearly Meeting read excerpts from the Site Committee Report. (See Attachment #4 for the report in its entirety.) The report describes the accommodations at the YMCA camps at Lake Sequoia 50 miles east of Fresno, outlines the attractions of the site and raises a number of concerns. The site represents a substantial change from what we have known in recent years. In its report the Committee recommended consideration of Lake Sequoia for PYM in June of 1982 or 1983. Laura Magnani, Clerk of Ministry and Oversight, suggested that the issue of site might well be considered in the context of a broader concerns - how we handle our space, and does our space free us to do the work we need to do. Ministry and Oversight Committee is offering to act as a listening committee for concerns about the proposed site and Yearly Meeting sites in general. This issue may overlap with other considerations of how we can bridge differing needs within PYM. After some discussion, Representative Meeting APPROVED:

REPCOM 82-24 Ministry and Oversight Committee will act as a listening committee to consider the concerns of site, and of our use of and need for space to do the work of PYM. The matter of how we are proceeding to work with this issue needs to be brought to the attention of PYM at a plenary session.
COMMITTEE PLANS FOR PLENARY SESSION INTEREST GROUPS
(This item continues reports from committees on preparations for PYM).
Religious Education Committee. Committee member Sam Cox announced that
the Religious Education Committee has prepared a survey for PYM, to be
filled out by each Monthly Meeting. The Committee is continuing a pro-
cess begun last year to determine what is needed or wanted by Meetings
for use for religious education.

Finance Committee. Consideration of the written procedures for reimburse-
ment for travel and for expenditures by clerks and committees is de-
ferred until Thursday morning.

Bulletin Committee. Paul Johnson, member of the Committee, reported
that the Committee is very pleased with the way the Bulletin has gone
this year. The Committee will report at plenary session.

Friend-in-the-Orient. Akie Reynolds, member of the Committee, reported
that the Committee is presently on route to the
Triennial Conference of the Friends World Committee on Consultation.
At the plenary session on Wednesday, the Committee expects to report
on the service of Lloyd and Mary Margaret Bailey as Friends in the
Orient, and to have Sang Dal Cha share his recent trip to North Korea
and China. There will be two interest groups sponsored by the Commit-
tee: one led by Ozzie Stout to share his experiences of his trip to
China this past year, and one led by Sang Dal Cha, to share more of
his trip.

The Friend-in-the-Orient Committee is indeed a window through
which we can be in touch with the whole of the Pacific Rim.

Peace. Akie Reynolds, Clerk of Peace Committee, announced that six
interest groups will be sponsored by the Peace Committee: "Nuclear
Freeze Initiative", led by Terence McGill; "Peace Tax Fund", led in
cooperation with the College Park Quarterly Meeting in preparation for
a presentation to plenary session, led by Betsy Eberhardt; "Middle East"
led by Leona Harvey; "United Nations Special Session on Disarmament"
Steven Jones; "Friends and the Livermore Blockade", Ben Seaver; and
"Draft Registration", Andy Coe. The presentation at plenary session
will emerge as PYM progresses in response to the nature of the concerns.
It was suggested that the Peace Tax Fund information be made available
Tuesday in order to facilitate consideration among PYM attenders.

The Delta Meeting concern about Friends and Draft Registration
will be recommended to Monthly Meetings for study and discussion.

Nominating Committee. Margaret Mossman, Clerk of Nominating Com-
mittee, solicited our ideas and suggestions for appointments of officers
and committees of PYM. Representative Committee was asked for advice
on two matters.

First, there has been a suggestion that two Assistant Clerks be
appointed for next year. In discussing the matter, Friends observed
that we need to be very clear about the duties and responsibilities
to be assigned to any officer. The appointment of officers is for
the purpose of running PYM to do the work of God, not to solve individ-
ual needs and problems. If there are particular needs to support the
Presiding Clerk, it is important to explore all the ways in which that
can be accomplished. Adding more officers may in fact create an
administrative burden. In concluding the discussion, Nominating Com-
mittee was advised that if it is important to pursue the matter, to
come back with a well-thought out, concrete recommendation.

Second, there has been a suggestion that, in order to strengthen our ties to AFSC, PYM appoint five people as representatives to the AFSC Corporation and fund two people to attend the AFSC Corporation meeting in Philadelphia each year. Any or all of the three members would attend if other sources of funding are available. In discussing the suggestion, Friends commented that this would represent a return to a similar, earlier practice of PYM, when we had two funded representatives and, at their recommendation, had dropped the funding for one, contributing the money instead to the regional AFSC's. Friends understand that AFSC, through the Corporation, is searching for ways to have greater contact with Quaker Meetings. It seems, that in light of past experiences, it might make greater sense to have representatives serve for a longer term. Greater continuity and improved quality in our relationship with AFSC may best be gained through a sustained, focused participation by one individual. There is no sentiment at this time for appointing additional representatives or for setting up a special committee to consider our relationship with AFSC. Representative Committee APPROVED:

Representative Committee is requested to come back with a specific recommendation for longer, rotating terms for one or two delegates to the AFSC Corporation, in order to deepen the quality of our relationship with AFSC.

STATE OF SOCIETY REPORTS

College Park Quarterly Meeting. Margaret Mossman, Clerk of College Park Quarterly Meeting, submitted a written State of Society report (see Attachment #5). She commented that participants in the Quarter are taking time to be, to share and to enjoy. The corporate enterprises which are under - or coming under - the sponsorship of CPQM are delightful: John Woolman School, Friends Association of Services to the Elderly (FASE) and Ben Lomond Quaker Center.

Southern California Quarterly Meeting. Paul Johnson, Clerk of Southern California Quarterly Meeting, reported. The meeting enjoyed a new site, Rancho del Sol, for its spring gathering. There is searching to understand why we meet as a quarter - fellowship, worship, relief from personal worries? The Quarterly Ministry and Oversight Committee intends to visit every meeting once every two years. The Meeting has a concern for its "exceptional" members - those who never come, never contribute, and those who take roles as public Friends but don't attend meeting. For the Quarterly Meeting, a practice has begun of using displays for rather than take plenary time for announcements. The theme for next year's quarterly meetings is likely to be "Stewardship for Financial Resources". Finally, the SCQM is actively encouraging increased sophistication in writing petitions so that they will be more effective.

The meeting closed with silence: we teach without words; as we gather quietly for our meetings, so all who enter will feel the Presence.

Linda Niebanck
Recording Clerk
The meeting opened with a brief silence.

Clerk Eleanor Foster noted that Representative Committee's action minutes had been approved at the close of each session and that the full minutes would be distributed with the packet prepared for Representatives at the close of Yearly Meeting.

COMMITTEE TO NAME THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

On behalf of the Committee, Lois Bailey proposed three names to be considered for the Nominating Committee: Helen Perkins (Redwood Forest), Eva Kersey (Sacramento), and Kim Lacey (San Francisco). Wilma Guerney (Westwood) is proposed for Clerk but is as yet unconfirmed. These names will be returned later in the Meeting for approval.

STATE OF THE MEETING REPORTS

Honolulu. Marietje Becket of Honolulu Meeting, presented that Meeting's State of the Meeting report. (See Attachment #6) Honolulu Friends Meeting has been deeply concerned with the threat of nuclear war and the situation in El Salvador this year, and Friends organized a welcome to 1200 Japanese returning from the United Nations disarmament conference. Support has been given to Hiroshima community, and the peace ship, the "Pacific Peace Maker".

Mexico City. Elizabeth Martinez, of Mexico City Meeting, brought her Meeting's greetings. Marcella Campos, of Mexico City meeting, read the State of the Meeting Report (See Attachment #7) In Mexico City, the work of the Service Committee and the Meeting are intertwined. The Casa de los Amigos, under our care, which provides room for the Service Committee, the Meeting and other organizations, has become an international meeting place. "We have translated the Queries into Spanish and are engaged in the task of selecting those that are applicable to our life and culture and perhaps we will write some new queries for us.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Guidelines. Walter Klein, Clerk of Finance Committee reviewed the proposed "Guidelines and Policies" previously presented to Representative Committee. Representative Committee APPROVED:

REPCOM The Guidelines for Pacific Yearly Meeting Officer and Committee Expenditures 82-26 was approved.

Typewriter. Representative Committee had previously considered a request from the Secretariat that a typewriter be purchased and referred it to Finance Committee for a recommendation: Walter Klein reviewed the recommendation. After a brief discussion, Representative Committee APPROVED:

REPCOM A used Selectric II typewriter will be purchased for the use of the Secretariat. The typewriter will be housed at John Woolman School between PYM sessions. John Woolman School will be responsible for insurance, maintenance and transporting the typewriter to and from PYM.

Treasurer's Report. Walter Klein presented the Treasurers' Report of FY 1982, Interim. Financial Statement, Proposed Budget for FY 1982-83. There was some discussion of amounts proposed for travel to conferences. Because the FCL conference is now organized in a different manner than previously, no funds are required to finance a delegate's travel.
Representative Committee
Minutes, August 5, 1982

Representative Committee APPROVED:

REPCOM  Line 288, Friends Committee of Legislation (California), of the 82-28 proposed 1982-83 budget will be eliminated.

Subsequently, Representative Committee APPROVED:

REPCOM  The 1982-83 Budget is recommended to plenary session of 82-29 Pacific Yearly Meeting for approval.

Walter Klein reported that fees for camping infants have been eliminated.

COMMITTEE MINUTES TO BE CONSIDERED FOR RECOMMENDATION TO PLENARY

Social Order Committee. Elizabeth Israel Jones, member of the Social Order Committee, presented four minutes for consideration.

Human rights in Central America. In view of the continued severe violation of human rights and resultant suffering in much of Central America, the Social Order Committee recommends all possible support to selected Quaker programs which serve human needs not usually met by other organizations working in this region. (See list in proposed minute, Attachment #3). In response to the sense of urgency conveyed in the discussion, Representative Committee APPROVED:

REPCOM  Social Order Committee proposed minute urging contributions to 82-30 specific Quaker programs in Central America is recommended for consideration by plenary session of Pacific Yearly Meeting.

USSR-US relations. Social Order Committee proposes the establishment of an exploratory committee to be empowered to seek ways to engage in activities that will result in increased understanding and interchange between the United States and the USSR. In the discussion, Friends affirmed the importance of initiatives which can help focus our attention on improving USSR-US relations as a way of alleviating our peril from the arms race. Clearly, some Friends were very interested in moving ahead with this effort. Questions were raised about the most useful way of organizing ourselves to pursue this matter. After some discussion, Representative Committee APPROVED conveying a report of Social Order Committee's concern for USSR-US relations as follows:

REPCOM  82-31 Friends have given prayerful thought to the critical condition of international relations and to the increasingly hazardous state of the arms race. We are concerned that a major turning must occur in the immediate future if indeed a nuclear holocaust is to be avoided, and we believe that people all over the world must begin to act in ways consistent with the Appeal For European Nuclear Disarmament, which states: "We must commence to act as if a united, neutral and Pacific Europe already exists. We must learn to be loyal, not to 'East' or 'West', but to each other."

The Social Order Committee is concerned to attend to Friends who have a special concern for increased contact and understanding between the USSR and the US.

Representative Committee has asked the Social Order Committee to prepare and report a proposal for consideration at Representative Committee meeting in March.
Exchange program. The Social Order Committee urges support of Legislative bills before the California Assembly and the House of Representatives to create a student exchange program between the USSR and US. After some discussion considering how we can best influence the passage of these bills, Representative Committee APPROVED.

REPCOM Information on Assembly Bill #AJR 123 and House Bill HJR 489 and other Social Order Committee concerns, specifically the concern for the Pacific Ackworth School should be published in the PYM Chronicle so that they may be considered and then shared by representatives back to monthly meetings.

Clerk Eleanor Foster noted that, as the Education Committee of Pacific Yearly Meeting had been laid down last year, school concerns were appropriately attended to by the Social Order Committee.

Peace Committee. Akie Reynolds, Clerk of Peace Committee, introduced three minutes.

Nuclear Freeze Initiative. After considering the minute as read by Akie Reynolds, Representative Committee APPROVED.

REPCOM The Peace Committee proposed minute urging endorsement of the California Nuclear Freeze Initiative is recommended for consideration by plenary session.

Peace Tax Fund. In an interest group earlier this week alternative forms for a Peace Tax Fund and reasons for establishing such a fund were discussed. For those members of Yearly Meeting who have decided to resist paying a portion of their taxes, such a fund might enable them to exercise their protest through a Friends' vehicle. Such a program strikes some Friends as futile. After some discussion, Representative Committee APPROVED.

REPCOM The Peace Committee proposed minute which requests authority for Peace Committee to attempt to set up a Peace Tax Fund is recommended for consideration by plenary session.

Middle East. A proposal for a minute urging contributions to the AFSC's emergency aid program in Lebanon and to communicate to our government the need to stop all arms shipment and to facilitate negotiations between Israel and Lebanon arose from an interest group on the Middle East and is forwarded by the Peace Committee. The minute should emphasize our wish for peace, not particular political boundaries. We want balance in our concern for both Lebanon and Israel. After discussion, Representative Committee APPROVED.

REPCOM The Peace Committee proposed minute regarding peace in the Middle East be returned to Peace Committee and re-worked in light of concerns expressed in this meeting, prior to presentation at Plenary.

Ministry and Oversight Committee Report on Sites; Laura Magnani, Clerk of Ministry and Oversight Committee, presented a report for consideration. During the week, Ministry and Oversight Committee has acted as a listening committee to hear concerns about sites for Pacific Yearly Meeting. An open session of Ministry and Oversight was held for this purpose and another meeting for those unable to attend the first.
Friends shared their ideas and concerns, particularly addressing the question, "Why do I come to Yearly Meeting?" From these meetings, a number of matters emerged as site considerations: flexibility of dates; cost reduction; location within California; facilities for older people; terrain; altitude; evidence of willingness to move toward a degree of simplicity; moving toward a whole community rather than one divided between dining-room-diners and campers; and moving toward participation e.g., food preparation.

Based on these considerations, Ministry and Oversight recommends: that Sequoia Lake be dropped from consideration; that we hold off as long as we can on a firm commitment to Craig Hall, keeping it as a back-up; and, that as part of the planning process, we consider a reduction in the length of Yearly Meeting, on the grounds of cost and fatigue. Ministry and Oversight also recommends that the Sites Committee define its immediate tasks as: finding a site for 1983; searching for the long-term solution to the site problem, including exploring John Woolman School, land purchase and other possibilities for a permanent site; interact with monthly meetings to solicit concerns and ideas from people who do not come to Yearly Meeting; and, consulting with persons who have relevant professional skills/knowledge. In order to do this work, the Sites Committee should be provided with enough money for travel and perhaps for part-time staff if needed.

Friends expressed appreciation for the work of the Ministry and Oversight Committee. Questions were raised about specific delegating contractual arrangements. After some discussion, Representative Committee APPROVED:

REPCOM 82-36 The Ministry and Oversight report concerning how to proceed with finding a site is recommended for consideration by the plenary session of Pacific Yearly Meeting, with specific language to be added stipulating that if a site contract must be signed prior to March meeting of the Representative Committee, the decision to sign it shall be made by the Presiding Clerk of Yearly Meeting, Clerk of Sites Committee, Clerk of Finance and Arrangements Clerk.

Friends World Committee for Consultation. A minute urging contributions to the Soweto Friends Center Project was presented. Representative Committee APPROVED:

REPCOM 82-37 The Friends World Committee for Consultation's support of the Soweto Friends Center Project and the fact that the Yearly Meeting Treasurer stands ready to accept contributions to the Project shall be brought to the attention of the plenary session.

COMMITTEE TO NAME THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

After hearing again the recommended names, Representative Committee APPROVED:

REPCOM 82-38 The following persons are appointed to the Nominating Committee: Helen Perkins (Redwood Forest), Eva Kersey (Sacramento), Kim Lacey (San Francisco), and Wilma Gurney (Westwood), unconfirmed.

Linda Niebanch
Recording Clerk
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ATTACHMENT #2

FRIENDS AND THE DRAFT

The Religious Society of Friends has a traditional position in opposition to all war. Early history has nothing to say about the draft for war because it was not instituted until Napoleon's time. It has been relatively simple for Friends to oppose the draft as a war related exercise by a national government.

Though Friends do not accept the draft, it is implemented at various times. In World War I, 1914-18, there was a draft which made no provision for conscientious objection to war. Those refusing came under military jurisdiction and rough times.

World War II, 1941-45, brought on the draft again, this time there was legal conscientious objection based on "religious training and belief". Some 12,000 men were accepted as C.O.'s starting in June 1941 and on into 1946. The men inducted were placed in camps operated by Friends, Brethren, and Mennonites for Selective Service System (SSS). The church paid for food, clothing, and administrators. Work projects were under the control of various federal agencies. At the same time the historic peace churches agreed to administer this segment of the draft, they also decided the men should not be paid. If a person did not cooperate with this arrangement the churches reported the man to SSS for potential prosecution.

Vietnam was an unpopular war; there was no rationale or self-defense as there was after Pearl Harbor in World War II. With student deferments available, it was not long before there was a good deal of deferment on many a college campus. Conscientious objection though legal was church related when young people by the thousands were abandoning the church as irrelevant. Cases before the U.S. Supreme Court broadened the legal basis of conscientious objection first to a belief in a "Supreme Being" and later to "a moral or ethical belief" as strongly held as a religious objection to war. In fiscal year 1972, 110,000 men applied for C.O. status.

Even with a much broader legal basis the conscientious objector status was very discriminatory.
1. Despite legal niceties, C.O.'s with religious backgrounds were favored: historic peace churches firstly, mainline Protestants secondly. An evangelical had no church tradition to cite to a draft board, little support and small opportunity to even hear of his legal "choices".
2. The C.O. status discriminates by class. Poorly educated people are not in the paper culture, a necessity in filing a C.O. claim. They are neither writers nor speakers in their own behalf. Chances are they will not even know of the C.O. chance nor understand if they do.
3. The C.O. status discriminates by color. All of the problems mentioned above are accentuated when color minority state is added to the barriers.

Therefore it seems equity would demand that the Religious Society of Friends not seek for renewal of, nor inclusion of conscientious objection in any proposed draft. To do so would be seeking special favor for Friends to the detriment of others because any draft cannot fail to discriminate on the basis of religion, economic class and color. Efforts which make SSS work more smoothly create a moral dilemma. Supporting war making powers of the State does not lead to clearness for young Friends.

Samuel R. Tyson
Representative Committee
Minutes, August 1, 1982

ATTACHMENT #3

SUGGESTED GUIDELINES FOR

FOR

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES

For PYM Officers and Committee Clerks:

These guides will help you with the proper spending of PYM committee funds. PYM Representative Committee has approved these guidelines. We realize that we will need to amend this information as uncovered situations are brought to our attention and as new needs evolve, and we intend to do so with Representative Committee approval. If a contemplated expenditure seems to have been left out of the list, please consult with the PYM Finance Committee clerk before incurring the expense.

TRAVEL Committee funds should be used to pay travel of committee members to meetings of the committee within the PYM reimbursement policy. Travel expense includes actual transportation cost but not food and lodging.

COMMUNICATIONS Committee funds should be used to pay for communications, including telephone use and the preparation and mailing of correspondence and newsletters. Preparations of some items may include clerical help, such as typing. Clerical help should be paid to an independent contractor and should not be more than 10% of the annual committee budget.

MEMBERS OF OTHER YEARLY MEETINGS If such members attend PYM committee meetings on PYM business, they should be reimbursed on the same basis as other committee members.

LONG DISTANCE Travel For travel from other areas beyond normal PYM boundaries, please consult with the clerk of the specific committee as well as the Finance Committee Clerk before incurring expenses.

CLERKS OF SUBCOMMITTEES AND AD HOC COMMITTEES If clerks of subcommittees and ad hoc committees are asked to appear at a Representative Committee meeting by the PYM presiding clerk, they should be reimbursed on the same basis as other committee members.

FOOD, LODGING, AND RENTAL OF FACILITIES Committee funds should not be used to pay for food and lodging or for rental of facilities for committee meetings (meeting houses and hospitality are assumed).
Committee funds should **not** be used for personal services, such as salary for doing committee work or for lost work time to attend meetings or do committee work, unless PYM has approved such employment.

Committee funds should **not** be used for contributions to another organization or committee.

Committee funds should **not** be used to pay the expenses of someone not on the committee. (Committees may not expand their committees without formal PYM approval).

Committee funds should **not** be used for purchase of capital equipment or for large publications; for example, don't publish an inventory of Faith and Practice or buy a car. Such expenditures must have specific PYM approval.

Don't spend more than your PYM approved budget. Committees planning projects or anticipating expenditures beyond budgeted amounts should request budget augmentation at Representative Committee Meetings; In March if possible, but no later than August at PYM. Without such augmentation the Treasurer has no reimbursement authority.

Other budgets should use the same guidelines as the committees, with certain exceptions. Delegates' budgets include registration and room and board in some cases. The PYM presiding clerk's discretionary fund is pretty much unrestricted.

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PYM Finance Committee

Approved by:
Representative Committee
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TRAVEL EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES

For PYM Officers, PYM Committee Clerks and Members, Clerks and Representatives of Monthly Meetings, and Fraternal Delegates.

1. PYM Officers and Committee Clerks traveling to Representative Committee in March and August:

Travel expenses are reimbursed for actual expenses up to 10¢ per mile for round trip road atlas mileage; unless otherwise requested, the 10¢/mile is used. No reimbursement for less than $5.00 will be sent without a specific request. Expenses are paid from a special budget, not Committee budgets.

NOTE 1: Clerks of Ad-Hoc and Sub-Committees will be reimbursed per policy 1 above when asked by the presiding clerk to report to Representative Committee.

2. PYM Committee, Ad-hoc, and Sub-Committee Members traveling to committee meetings other than at August PYM sessions: Travel expenses are reimbursed per policy 1 above and charged to the Committee budget.

NOTE 2: Policies 1 and 2 above apply also to PYM Committee clerks and members who belong to a yearly meeting other than PYM.

3. Supplemental Travel Reimbursement:

Committee Clerks may request supplemental travel reimbursement for committee members who would not be able to attend meetings if limited to the normal travel subsidy. These funds are paid from a separate supplemental travel fund.

4. Monthly Meeting Representatives traveling to Representative Committee in March and August:

Travel expenses are partially reimbursed to the Monthly Meeting from a special PYM budget, at 5¢/mile round-trip road atlas mileage, but only if the total amount is more than $5.00, unless specifically requested. It is expected that each Monthly Meeting will reimburse its representative for the expenses. In the case of Mexico City and Honolulu Monthly Meetings PYM subsidizes travel expenses at $400 each.

5. PYM Fraternal Delegates traveling to other conferences or meetings:

Travel and other expenses (registration, room and board, etc.) are reimbursed as permitted by budget allocation and number of PYM delegates attending concurrently: The budgeted amount is spread over all delegates appointed. Check with the treasurer if you are not clear on the budget. The treasurer can not reimburse expenses in excess of the budget. The Presiding Clerk, however, does have a small discretionary fund to cover special needs. Delegates should plan their travel well in advance to obtain the least expensive fare.
NOTE 3: For special circumstances (such as travel to PYM from farther away than one's home Monthly Meeting) consult with clerk of appropriate committee and clerk of Finance Committee before incurring the expense.

NOTE 4: THE TREASURER ORDINARILY PAYS FOR TRAVEL AND COMMITTEE EXPENSES AFTER BILLS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED. IF EXPENSES NEED TO BE PREPAID, PLEASE REQUEST SO IN WRITING, DESCRIBING REQUIREMENTS.

MONTHLY MEETING AND PYM COMMITTEE CLERKS: Please acquaint representatives and committee members respectively with the above policies.

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ATTACHMENT #4

THE STATE OF THE SOCIETY: COLLEGE PARK QUARTERLY MEETING OF
THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS - MAY 1982

An opening query from Fresno Monthly Meeting formulates a good context for reporting on the State of the Quarter:

"How do we judge the state of our Meeting: By the quality of our Meetings for Worship and Business? By the depth of our commitments to Friends' principles as shown by our participation in the works of the world? By our relationships with one another?"

Throughout the Quarter, Meetings have addressed these dimensions in their reports, though the balance is somewhat uneven. One Meeting asks: "How much of the service to which God calls us should be for ourselves (as a Meeting) and how much for others?" Most Meetings this year have been uncommonly challenged to address the state of the world and its current demands for witness and protest: "Many find inner peace a constant struggle due to feelings of anger about injustices in the world. In our striving for inner peace and world peace, we are fortunate to have a strong, living Meeting to look to for inspiration and support." All Meetings report vigorous involvement, either individually or as a Meeting, in such responses as the nuclear freeze campaign, support of the Peace Pedalers, in tax refusal, blockades, and in fasting for disarmament.

Yet simultaneously, Meetings report increasing growth in attendance at both Meetings for Worship and Meetings for Business, and a sense that there is much needing to be done toward strengthening our Meeting communities. There is a general reflection of reliance upon the Meeting for Worship as our central resource: The Meeting for Worship remained a place where Friends found solace, courage and inspiration to show the love found in God's Spirit". Several Meetings stated that the balance of silence to spoken messages leaves some concerned that there be more spoken messages and others hoping to maintain the quiet. But all Meetings seem to share an enthusiasm for deepening both fellowship and religious understanding through retreats, adult seminars and informal gatherings for religious study.

Meetings for Business sometimes have exposed tensions and a need for greater unity. One Meeting has found Clearness Committees helpful in resolving differences, and a second states that "We have sought compassionate understanding amongst ourselves over our differences, seeking that of God in each other, which unifies our sense of basic humanity, removes fear and animosities, and channels our God-given energies to the support of our common humanity" and has reached out to Friends who have remained apart from the Meeting.

Many Meetings delight in the increase in numbers of children attending First Day programs. There are several reports of experiments in the use of materials and format for children's education. Santa Cruz Meeting has developed a program for teaching conflict resolution for children within the public school system, which may be of special interest to some.
Representative Committee
Minutes, August 1, 1982

CPQM STATE OF THE SOCIETY - CONTINUED

As a conclusion to its reporting, one Meeting states that "The discussion in relation to the Queries was in itself a reflection of the life and unity of our Meeting. Both members and attenders shared impressions, sources of inspiration and new directions. Warmth, comfort, conviction and unity marked our work".

Redwood Forest Meeting reports that it has "gained strength and made progress this year in overcoming our difficulties" and has been able to return to its usual method of Clerking and committee functioning. Its Ministry and Oversight Committee has developed a set of Queries on Quaker business process to help the Meeting for Business.

With respect to the Quarter and its own State of the Society, it must be noted that the unusual difficulties in finding individuals to accept leadership responsibilities is a source of continuing concern. It is hoped that the Quarterly session on leadership and Clerking, and the current session on "Why Quarterly/" may help us to address this dilemma.

On the other hand, enterprises undertaken by the Quarter seem to make progress. The transfer of responsibility for Ben Lomond Quaker Center to the Quarter is being achieved in good order, FASE (Friends Association of Services to the Elderly) plans are becoming actualized, and John Woolman School has achieved significant improvement in remodeling its facilities.

Appreciation for the visits of Margie and Mike Yarrow (the Brinton Visitors) was general and warm.

On behalf of College Park Quarterly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, this report is submitted by the Ministry and Oversight Committee.
The Sites Committee brings you reports on two parts of our work. First, we did some serious thinking about a permanent site for the Yearly Meeting, hoping eventually to free us from the periodic site hunt. We considered several aspects of the problem and resolved to look most closely at those resources already at hand.

We wrote to the College Park Friends Educational Association which oversees John Woolman School asking them to consider the feasibility of holding our sessions there at some future date. They appointed a committee who met and responded in a thoughtful and encouraging manner. We recognized, as they did, that holding P.Y.M. at John Woolman—would mean some changes. Kindly they listed twelve areas where P.Y.M. would be different.

1. Forty to ninety percent of the attenders would need to be campers.

2. Considerable walking on paths would be required of all participants to move about the campus.

3. The dates for P.Y.M. would need to be set in June allowing for other uses of the campus during the remainder of the summer. It is also cooler then.

4. Use of automobiles on the campus would be very much restricted to make the campus—safe, dust free, and reduce wear on existing roads.

5. Precautions to minimize exposure to poison oak will need to be taken.

6. Very few single rooms are available on campus. Possible use of nearby motels might be considered for those requiring special facilities.

7. The campus is a high fire risk area. Individual fires for cooking purposes may not be possible.

8. The food service would offer a limited menu available to all attenders.

9. There are limited bathing facilities.

10. Limited space and distance across the campus would require a different arrangement for children's programs.

11. Major campus improvements, in whatever form they might take, would require a long-term commitment from P.Y.M.
12. Consideration of how division of PYM might impact the JWS arrangement must be evaluated.

"The C.P.W.R.A. has raised enough concerns here to spark hours of discussion. We hope that discussion takes place. Meanwhile, if we want to pursue the J.W.S. site further, we need to minute our serious resolve in that direction before the board feels willing to expend the time, energy, and expense necessary to bring us a full environmental impact report.

Part Two of our report concerns the near future. We can continue to meet in the convenient accommodation which we have at Craig Hall in Chico. This site has much to recommend it. It has come to our attention that Craig Hall is becoming more assertive in its recruitment of summer conferences. So we may not, in the future, be guaranteed exclusive use of these facilities.

An alternative site for June of 1983 or 1984 has been explored. The proposal incorporates many of the changes that would be inherent in the J.W.S. site. Yet, the committee felt that it would be possible to hold Yearly Meeting sessions there.

Sequoia Lake is located at an elevation of 5,600 ft about 50 miles east of Fresno. Around the lake are five YMCA summer camps. We are considering the three camps on the northern and eastern shores. The camps are not available in August, so we have been talking in terms of the third week in June. That is available and that is the first major change for the yearly meeting.

The camps are that, camps. We would all be camping in rustic 9 bed cabins. The single sex bath houses have hot water and are close to the clusters of cabins. It would be possible to pitch a few tents between cabins, or to park a few R.V.'s on the grounds. We would all be bringing our own bedding and towels. There are no private baths. Laundry facilities are not convenient. Those who cannot camp (indoors or out) could secure motel accommodations within five to twelve miles. Parking will be at a premium. That is the second major change.

The dining halls at the two larger camps are well equipped and staffed. We talked with both head cooks who agreed that they could run a coordinated food service. Possibly we could all eat in one and hold plenary sessions in the other whose kitchen would be used as the bakery. The cooks are willing to prepare menus to our specifications. The food would be hearty and simple. This is the third major change for the Yearly Meeting.

There are also some minor difficulties to overcome: the enticement of the lake waters and the forest wilderness beyond the campsites may lure children and adults from the scheduled programs; the uneven
terrain demands that we provide intra-camp transportation for some less agile Friends; and the distance between the farther sides of the camps is more than we have experienced in our recent locations. All of these can be dealt-with if Friends are willing to help each other and monitor themselves.

With all these problems, what could the possible advantages be?

1. The site is equidistant between Los Angeles and San Francisco. The distance is approximately 250 miles.

2. The costs are quite reasonable. Room and board plus a share of the cost for the third camp which will be used for meeting rooms, offices, etc. comes to about $21.00 per person per day. This fee includes the services of life guards and maintenance personnel, the use of the boats and canoes.

3. Sequoia Lake and the camps, Redwood, Millwood and Tulequoia, are lovely, scenic, quiet, simple, and too high for poison oak.

4. We can control some of the costs by how we direct the food service: it can be as simple as we like, entirely or partly vegetarian.

5. Since we would all be "camping" there would be a simpler fee structure.

6. The organization we support with our fees is the YMCA in the central valley area, rather than a private enterprise.

The following people have seen the camps on behalf of the Site Committee: Ernie-Von Segern, Tom Farley, Bob Barns, Stewart Mulford and Sandy Farley.

The committee is recommending consideration of the site for either 1983 or 1984 in the third week of June. To accept the camping alternative means we must be willing to see the Yearly Meeting change from what we have known. Finding a place large enough and inexpensive enough for our group is quite a job. We found the people at Sequoia Lake to be very flexible and willing to find creative responses to our needs. A one year "trial camp meeting" might tell us if we are willing to commit ourselves to the development of a permanent camping-style Yearly Meeting.

On behalf of Sites Committee,

Sandy Farley, Clerk

July 28, 1982
The Honolulu Friends Meeting has been deeply concerned with the threat of nuclear war and the situation in El Salvador this year. The meeting has actively lobbied for legislation for a National Peace Academy.

A number of Friends helped organize a welcome for 1,200 Japanese returning from the United Nations Disarmament Conference. A substantial number of Friends marched and listened to the speakers. In addition, Maureen Parker, who is now attending the Santa Barbara Meeting, assisted in the first leg of a U.S. tour by Hiroshima survivors which included speaking engagements all across the country and ended in New York at the Disarmament Conference.

The meeting has been supporting our AFSC staff person on the Waianae coast in providing food and services for the community, also a self-help program where residents on welfare pool their resources at the end of the month.

Friends greeted the Pacific Peace Maker and helped collect money for repairs. The Australian ship is sailing across the Pacific to confront the launching of a nuclear submarine in Seattle, Washington.

The Labor of Love group meets weekly to make quilts and other craft items for the annual NOVEMBER FESTIVAL. A potluck lunch has helped to enlarge the group.

A special worship meeting was held at the home of Charlotte and Stewart Meacham who live on the Waianae coast, and are very active in programs there.

A party was given for former members Miyo and David Bassett. Friends rejoiced with Cindy and Norman Hewitt on their 50th wedding anniversary.

One of our members was arrested for trespassing at the local naval ammunition depot where nuclear weapons are stored. The meeting supported the action.

A well-attended weekend retreat in March centered on the meaning of community.

We welcomed three new members and three infants into the meeting so far this year.

We are saddened that Francis and George Rhoads will be leaving Honolulu for Washington, D.C. They have contributed a very great deal to the needs and concerns of the Honolulu Friends Meeting.
REPORT TO PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING

Mexico City Monthly Meeting has 37 members, many of whom do not live in the city, some of whom are elderly and no longer able to participate actively in the life of the Meeting. There are about 12 Friends who are active. When the American Friends Service Committee withdrew from Mexico and left the work it had begun in the hands of Mexican Friends and the Mexican Friends Service Committee, all the members of the Meeting were needed to help the staff carry on with the work, so the work of the Service Committee and the Meeting became intertwined.

There is also the Casa de los Amigos, under our care, which provides offices for the Service Committee, a Meeting Room for the Meeting, an office for the Friends World Committee for Consultation project, COAL (Organizing Committee for Latin America), a center for the school exchange program, Amistad Interescolar, as well as rooms for overnight guests. It has become an international meeting place.

Once a month we have pot luck dinner after Meeting for Worship and invite all the guests in the Casa to join us.

Business Meeting is the second Monday of each month and on the other weeks we meet on Tuesdays in each other's homes to discuss subjects that are important to us.

Our First Day School is small (only 4 regular attenders), but we consider it very important and have prepared a course for it. All Friends will act as teachers, each one taking the class one First Day, so we and the children can get to know each other better.

The one thing we have not succeeded in doing is to simplify our lives. There are too few of us and too much to do. We pray that the way may open to an answer to that problem.

Corinne Hernandez, Clerk
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING of the RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

AGENDA
REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, August 1,2, 1982; Chico, California

August 1; Sunday evening
7:30 Opening Worship

8:00 Introductions
Minutes
Review of Agenda
Concerns; New Requests for Agenda Time

8:15 Arrangements for PYM, 1982:
PYM Schedule Review
General Arrangements
Registrar
Childrens' Program
Junior Friends

Interest Groups
Worship-Fellowship Groups
Naming of Epistle Committee
Friends Journal Reporter Named
Preliminary Report to Name Nominating Committee

9:00 Committee Plans for Plenary Session/Interest Groups:
Ministry and Oversight Committee
Discipline Committee
Social Order Committee
Young Friends

9:45 Adjournment

August 2, Monday morning

9:00 Worship

9:15 State of Society Reports:
Mexico City Meeting
Honolulu Meeting
Southern California Quarterly Meeting
College Park Quarterly Meeting
Paul Johnson
Russ Jorgensen

9:30 Committee Plans for Plenary Session/Interest Groups, con.:
Education Committee
Finance Committee
Bulletin Committee
Friend-in-the-Orient Committee
Peace Committee
Nominating Committee
Karen Hilsdale
Walter Klein
Marilyn Heilman

10:30 Approval of Nominating Committee
Site Committee Report
Lois Bailey
Sandra Farley

11:00 Adjournment