

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING Representative Committee

MEETING - 8th day, 7th month, 1984, 7:00 PM

The meeting opened with a time of silent worship.

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Robert Schutz reported that the committee has met, but there have been difficulties in contacting all the proposed members and clerk. The committee will report to either the Representative Committee or to the Yearly Meeting as soon as possible.

AGENDA REVIEW COMMITTEE

Jeanette Norton presented the revised agenda. A question was raised as to whether we should try to have both working groups and interest groups in view of our limited time together.

Friends were concerned that the new agenda includes a speaker and guests which were not previously presented to the Representative Committee for consideration and that this type of action can undermine our good order and tends to distract us from our central reasons for gathering to share our worship and business.

The Presiding Clerk explained the process that was used and which has resulted in the addition of a speaker at a plenary session and several additional interest groups. The interest group with the Figuerolas will be moved from Thursday night.

There was further discussion of the procedure to be used when it seems desirable to bring in outside resource persons for plenary sessions or other significant blocks of time. Friends were in agreement that whatever procedure is used, it should be begun in time for consideration by Representative Committee which may need to be done a year in advance. Our usual process of seasoning through concerned committees has been used in the past.

REPCOM 84-13 The agenda was approved.

Jeanette introduced the secretariat staff, Andrew Dumitru, Gary Wolff (and Bonnie Wells, in absentia).

ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

Michelle Graham-Newlin reported on arrangements and made several announcements.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Marilee Eusebio reported on arrangements for the program. The space is excellent and the new proposals for activities are exciting.

JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING

Jack Hunter gave the names of coordinators for the senior and junior high programs. They also are excited about more inter-generational activity.

YOUNG FRIENDS

Paul Schneider complimented Junior Yearly Friends on the way they have their act together. Young Friends will contemplate what it means to them to be Friends, will meet somewhere, and report to the Yearly Meeting, as way opens.

EPISTLE COMMITTEE

REPCOM 84-14 Robert Young said the proposed committee is Paul Jolly, Clerk, Ross Mackinney and Jim Sanetel; Friends approved.

REPCOM 84-15 Friends approved Hermione Baker to write an account of our session for Friends Journal.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The committee has met, but does not have a report.

REPCOM 84-16 Friends approved that the ad hoc committee on the secretariat oversee the secretariat until the standing committee is approved.

Regarding the concern discussed in March, that Monthly Meetings should select new officers in April, a number of questions were answered and John Draper reported that progress is being made.

Robert Schutz gave a brief report on his attendance at Friends General Conference (FGC) with special reference to information which might bear on PYM's consideration of membership. There will be interest groups on both FGC and Friends United Meetings (FUM) at this session.

MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT

REPCOM 84-17 Robert Young presented the recommendation of the Committee on Ministry and Oversight that PYM appoint an ad hoc committee to study details of membership arrangements in both FGC and FUM to present specific recommendations on membership to our 1985 session. The Presiding Clerk will suggest names to a plenary session of this Yearly Meeting and requests advice and suggestions from others. Friends approved.

Robert continued the report by discussing the present situation of the Religious Education Committee. The M&O working group will work with the Nominating Committee and any remaining difficulties should be resolved by the close of this session.

The committee reminds Friends of the importance of representatives to both Yearly and Quarterly meetings reporting to Monthly Meetings, and of Monthly Meetings getting state of the meeting reports to the committee in a timely manner.

M&O SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Brinton Visitors

Hermione Baker reported that Lloyd and Mary Margaret Bailey have shared warmth and fellowship with meetings in the three yearly meetings and that their trip was also a financial success. She also asked for comments and suggestions for future visitors.

Fund for Concerns

Aimee Elsbree reported that grants have been made to Santa Cruz Meeting to send a Friend with the International Peace Brigade and to Claremont Meeting for support of a Friend working with El Centro de Paz. Details are attached (see Attachment A) and Meetings are encouraged to review the guidelines for discussing concerns and consider whether they have occasions to use its assistance.

Mental Illness

Jane Peers reported that an information packet, including sources for help, was mailed to all meetings and Friends are available to visit with meetings experiencing difficulties.

After announcements and a period of silence, the meeting adjourned to meet on Monday morning.

Anne Friend
Recording Clerk

MEETING - 9th day, 7th month, 1984, 8:45 AM

The session opened with a time of worship.

CONCERNS

Santa Barbara Monthly Meeting presented a concern for establishing a scholarship fund for non-registrants who are refused government assistance. San Francisco Meeting, through College Park Quarterly, forwarded a similar concern (see attachment B) that would apply to anyone who refused to sign the statement, regardless of whether the person is required to register for the draft.

REPCOM 84-18 The meeting referred both these concerns to the Peace Committee for consideration.

On behalf of Palo Alto meeting, Carmen Broz presented the attached minutes (see Attachment C-1 and C-2).

REPCOM 84-19 The minute recommending a UN resolution was referred to the Peace Committee and the minute on the environment to the Social Order Committee.

A concern from Westwood Meeting on revising criteria for organizations will be discussed by the Finance Committee.

SOCIAL ORDER COMMITTEE

Kitty Barragato reported on the working group and two interest groups to be presented at PYM.

EAST WEST RELATIONS

The committee will present travelling minutes for two Friends going to the Soviet Union with a concern. A fund has been established to finance a trip to be organized by the committee in the future.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Laura Magnani reported on plans for the working group at PYM and on other recent work of the committee.

FRIEND IN THE ORIENT

Rose Lewis reported that the stay of Lloyd and Mary Margaret Bailey in Korea was very successful and that they subsequently travelled in the Western United States as Brinton visitors. The committee plans to emphasize maintaining contact with Friends and friends in the Orient and publication of the newsletter rather than sending other residents in the near future.

John Draper instructed us on how best to take advantage of the amplification system.

FRIENDS BULLETIN

Madge Seaver reported that the committee would like plenary session time for a brief report.

DISCIPLINE

Pegge Lacey told us that the committee will report to the Yearly Meeting on the forthcoming publication of the new Discipline.

REPCOM 84-20 Friends approved financing publication of the new Faith and Practice from PYM reserves and selling it through AFSC bookstores in California.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Virginia Croninger reported in the absence of Walter Jones. The survey on recommendations for contributions to other organizations by PYM received an outstanding response. The Mexico Friends Service Committee meets the present criteria for recipients and the Finance Committee is recommending a donation of \$200.00. Jorge Hernandez gave a brief summary of the current work of MFSC.

There was considerable discussion of whether or not this group meets the criteria adopted in 1976 and several Friends felt the criteria should be reviewed before considering this contribution. It was clear that Friends were supportive of contributing to Friends work in Mexico, but were not in unity that this was the best way.

REPCOM 84-21 The meeting approved reinstating the ad hoc committee on criteria for contributions and asking it to prepare suggested revisions for consideration at a plenary session and subsequently considering the recommendation for assistance to the work in Mexico with whatever revisions are needed.

SITES COMMITTEE

Marie Schutz informed us that the site for 1985 PYM session will be La Verne College in southern California, July 28-August 3. Considerable information on the possibility of a permanent site will be available to Friends at the present session through a display and other material.

HONOLULU MONTHLY MEETING

Kay Larsen read the state of the meeting report and brought a gift of macadamia nuts. Both were received with pleasure by Friends assembled.

MEXICO CITY MONTHLY MEETING

Jorge Hernandez presented the report from Mexico City. The meeting is small and work is difficult, but Friends, led by the spirit, continue to labor as way opens.

AFSC REPRESENTATIVES

Eric Moon reported that AFSC is exploring ways of making more policy decisions at the annual meeting of the corporation. PYM representatives will be meeting to discuss this and other issues and welcomes input from others.

FCNL AND WILLIAM PENN HOUSE

Ted Neff reported on activities of both groups. Several PYM Junior Friends were able to go to Washington under a new William Penn house program and more will be invited this year.

FCNL is now in its biennial process of setting priorities, has contacted Monthly Meetings and will have an interest group at PYM.

NEW CALL TO PEACEMAKING

Lois Vincent reported that the movement is growing and connecting with peace movements of other denominations in a very exciting way.

COLLEGE PARK QUARTERLY

Although there was not time for a full report, Margaret Mossman announced that the most important event in the Quarter was the long awaited and joyful opening of Friends House.

The meeting closed with a moment of silence.

Anne Friend
Recording Clerk

Fund for Concern
Report to Pacific Yearly Meeting - 8 July 1984

- A. Two (2) "grants" in last year: Funds have gone to:
- 1) Santa Cruz Meeting for a concern related to the International Peace Brigade.
 - 2) Claremont Meeting for a concern related to El Centro de Paz
- In each request it was not the worthiness or quality of the project but the nature of the Friend's concern.
- B. Financial Report
Gifts: 6 meeting budget, 4 meeting gifts, and 3 individual
total \$2,308 received
Balance 5/16/84 \$2,239. We heard today that Santa Cruz Monthly Meeting has returned \$400+ because other funding appeared.
- C. The Annual report will come to your Meeting. Meanwhile please carry to your Meeting the purpose of the Fund. Review, the guidelines and remember:
- Concern need not entail a single block of time
 - Ministry to other Meetings
 - Caring for local concern not met in another way, eg. domestic violence (provide a presence, provide some service, take some action), local poverty, community education

Fund for Concerns Subcommittee
Aimee Elsbree, Clerk
Jane Peers & Paul Niebanck

Pacific Yearly Meeting
Representative Committee
Minutes - Attachment B

The following minute was brought by San Francisco Monthly Meeting, approved by College Park Quarterly, and forwarded to Pacific Yearly Meeting.

Pacific Yearly Meeting wishes to support the young men in its Meeting who are required by the federal government (Solomon Amendment) to sign a statement of compliance with registration for the draft as a condition for obtaining grants and/or loans to aid their college education.

To that end, we establish a Fund for College Aid to which members, attenders, and meetings can contribute to provide financial assistance to men in Pacific Yearly Meeting who choose not to sign such a statement. The Fund shall be administered by the PYM Peace Committee which will consider requests and fund them as it deems appropriate. The Committee will review all requests sent from monthly meetings which have met the applicant and considered his needs and forward to PYM a recommendation for funding. In doing so, the monthly meeting gives its assurance of a continuing involvement with the student and its intention to support and counsel him as needed.

In order to establish the Fund, Yearly Meeting will budget \$500 as a contribution to the Fund in 1984-85. In the event of a Supreme Court finding that this federal requirement is unconstitutional or at any time the requirement is ended all monies in the Fund shall revert to the PYM Sharing Fund and the College Aid Fund laid down.

Attachment C-1

Dear Friends,

Friends and attenders of the Palo Alto, California Meeting are sponsoring a resolution to the United Nations regarding the present and future use of atomic weapons, a copy of which is enclosed.

Several previous resolutions of the United Nations General Assembly approach this concern:

1. Resolution 1653 XVI of 24 November 1961 which declared that the use of nuclear weapons is contrary to the spirit, letter and aims of the United Nations, to the rules of international law and the laws of humanity, and would constitute a crime against mankind and civilization, and;

2. Resolution 36/92.1 of December 1981 which declared that the use of nuclear weapons is a violation of the United Nations charter and a crime against humanity.

An important preceding document is the May 3, 1983: The Challenge of Peace: A Pastoral Letter on War and Peace, May 3, 1983, by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops stating: "We do not perceive any situation in which the deliberate initiation of nuclear warfare, on however a restricted scale, can be justified. We therefore express our view that the first imperative is to prevent any use of nuclear weapons."

In keeping with the above, we present a simple expression of a new resolution, hopefully, for your endorsement.

Palo Alto Friends Meeting

original signed by Arden E. Pierce,
Clerk

Prepared by John Radebaugh

Attachment C-2

**RESOLUTION FROM THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS
TO THE UNITED NATIONS**

We are resolved that the manufacture, possession, and use of nuclear weapons are international crimes against all living things. We must prevent, by all nonviolent means, the present and future manufacture, possession and use of nuclear weapons.

signed by Arden E. Pierce,
Clerk
Palo Alto Friends Meeting

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING

of the RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

Robert S. Vogel, Clerk
1678 Casitas Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91103

June 18, 1984

Representatives of Monthly and
Quarterly Meetings,
Clerks, and Officers of
Pacific Yearly Meeting

Greetings Friends !

In just a few days we will be gathering at La Honda, California for the 38th Annual Gathering of Pacific Yearly Meeting. Representative Committee will meet promptly at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 8th, and continue on Monday morning from 8:45 - 11 a.m. July 9th.

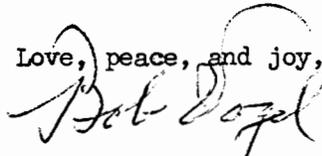
The Agenda for Representative Committee is enclosed. Please examine it carefully. If there are items that need to be brought forward, please let the Clerk know in advance.

Our first order of business will be to review plans for PYM, consider items for business referred to us, and hear progress reports.

With PYM coming just before the Triennial of Friends United Meeting in Orange, California, we will be blessed with representatives from both Friends United Meeting and Friends General Conference and Friends from England and Latin America.

Please give prayerful thought to the agenda, and come with hearts and minds prepared to discover, once again, the moving of the Spirit in our community.

Love, peace, and joy,



Robert S. Vogel, Clerk

Enclosures

P.S. If you plan to arrive early, please let the registrars, Joe and Joanna Magruder know. (916)455-0556. Food and lodging Saturday night, July 7th can be provided for up to 60 persons.

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING

of the RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

Tentative AGENDA, Representative Committee, Sunday, July 8, 1984, 7:30 p.m.
YMCA Camp, La Honda, Calif. and Monday, July 9, 1984, 8:45 a.m.

Sunday, July 8

- 7:30 p.m. Worship
8:00 p.m. Introductions
Approval of Agenda for Representative Committee
Preliminary Report of Committee to Name Nominating Committee Robert Schutz
8:15 Reports and Approval of Agenda for FYM 1984
FYM Tentative Agenda: Working, Interest, Sharing Jeanette Norton
Arrangements Michelle Graham-Newlin
Worship-Fellowship Sub-Committee Patricia Niska
Childrens Program Marilee Eusebio
Junior Friends Jack Hunter
Young Friends Paul Schneider
Epistle Committee Robert Young
Friends JOURNAL reporter Shirley Ruth
9:00 Items brought forward from March 1984 Representative Committee
Nominating Committee recommendations Robert Jolly
Committee on Secretariat (REPCOM 84-3)
Committee on Records and History (REPCOM 84-4)
Statistics (REPCOM 84-6) John Draper
Santa Barbara Monthly Meeting: Educational Loan Marjorie Thompson
fund for C.O.'s and Draft Resisters
FYM affiliation with FGC and FUM Robert Schutz, Ferner Naim
Ministry and Oversight FGC + FYM Robert Young
Brinton Visitor Hermione Baker
Fund for Concerns Aimee Elsbree
Mental Illness Jane Peers
9:45 Adjournment

Monday, July 9

- 8:45 a.m. Worship
9:00 a.m. Concerns brought to FYM by Standing Committees since March Rep. Committee Mtg.
Peace Committee Edith Cole
✓ Social Order Committee Kitty Barragato, Nancy Springer-Newlin
✓ East West Relations Committee Herbert Foster
✓ Religious Education LAURA MAGUANI
✓ Friend in the Orient Rose Lewis
✓ Friends BULLETIN Committee Madge Seaver
✓ Discipline Committee Pegge Lacey
✓ Finance Committee V. Croninger - Walter Jones
✓ Sites Committee Marie Schutz
Quarterly Meetings, Mexico City, Honolulu
10:00 a.m. Concerns brought to FYM by Representatives to Friends Organizations
American Friends Service Committee Eric Moon
Friends Committee on National Legislation Theodore Neff
William Penn House Theodore Neff
New Call to Peacemaking Lois Vincent
General Reunion of Friends in Mexico Snow Mountain
11:00 a.m. Adjourn for ORIENTATION FOR EVERYONE

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING 1984

Sun. July 8	Mon. July 9	Tues. July 10	Wed. July 11	Thurs. July 12	Fri. July 13	Sat. July 14
Breakfast 7-8						
Committee Meetings as arranged by clerks 10:00	Representative Committee 9-11	Worship-Fellowship Groups & Meeting for Worship 8:15-9:30				W-F 8:15-9:00
	Orientation for everyone 11-12	Plenary Session 3 10-12	Plenary Session 5 10-12 John Punshon	Plenary Session 7 10 - 12	Plenary Session 8 10 - 12	Plenary Session 10 Epistles 9:15 - 10:30
	Lunch 12:30					Session 11 Worship 10:45-12
Working Group Coordinators 4:00	Picnic at beach					
	Session 1 Roll Call 2:00 3:00 Refreshments	Worship 2:00 Plenary Session 4 2:30-4:30	Plenary Session 6 3:15 - 4:45 Worship Memorials	Working Groups II 2:00 - 4:30	Worship: 2:00 Plenary Session 9 2:30 - 4:30	Evaluation 2:00-3:30 PYM Officers & Comm. Clerks Others welcome
	Session 2 3:30-4:30 Worship					
Dinner 5:00 - 6:00						
Representative Comm. Meeting 7-9:30	Campfire 6:30-7:30	Working Groups I Continued 6:30-8:30	Working Groups II 6:30-8:00	Interest Groups 6:30 - 8:30	PYM Community Night 6:30	
	Working Groups I 7:45-9:45	Sharing Groups 9-10	Interest Groups 8:15 - 10:00	9:00 ^{8:30} Interest Films & Groups Slide Shows	Newly appointed Committees meet 8:00	

1. Opening Minute
- Introductions
- Visitors
- Epistle
- Roll Call
- Refreshments
2. Worship

3. Epistles; Minutes
- Introductions; M&O presents Epistle
- Comm.; Comm. to name Nom. Comm;
- Repre. Comm. re-commendations (Secretariat & Records & History)

4. Discipline; Statistics; Sites, FCNL Questionnaire, Young Friends; M. & O.
- Nom. Comm. 1st Report

5. John Punshon "The Future of Friends Order; East-West by a Quaker Historian"
6. Worship: Memorials
7. Peace; Social Concerns coming from Series I Working Groups.
Young Friends

8. 1985 Budget; Nominating Comm; Concerns from Series II Working Groups.
9. FGC & FUM; Comm. to Name Nom. Comm; 1st reading Epistle

10. Other items Epistles
11. Worship