

# Pacific Yearly Meeting Junior Yearly Meeting Committee Report to Representative Committee 2021

Junior Yearly Meeting (JYM) has been meeting online in a variety of places during the pandemic, monthly to bimonthly online, with occasional distanced in-person gatherings. We hope to be better integrated with the Senior Yearly Meeting (SYM) in the upcoming annual session, as our meeting in 2020 happened the week following SYM annual session.

The JYMers didn't spend much at all last year, so I understand reducing budget line 8460 from the usual \$5k to \$100. But. They have some good ideas for outreach, gatherings, mailing some things out to encourage teens to join, waiving annual session fees, maybe a speaker or two, and \$100 simply won't do it. So we chewed things over, Melissa added her experience with some mailings, and in short, it looks like \$2,000 would be enough to cover current plans, likely with some left over.

JYMers are concerned most about the loss of physical gatherings affecting their ability to bring in new JYMers before the current teen leadership graduates, and are considering some strategies to address this, including staying over an extra year when annual session resumes in-person gatherings, presumably in 2022. The process of mentorship in JYM is a key to keeping it functioning smoothly, and like so much else, it's difficult when not done in person with time to just hang out together.

The Committee consists of Suzanne Doss (Orange Grove), Robin Johnson (Santa Cruz), Alma Moon (Strawberry Creek), Santiago Myers (San Francisco), Dan Strickland (Orange Grove, Clerk).