Reports on the Work of the Electronic Communications Subcommittee of Ministry and Oversight Committee, 2011-2017

This document collects those (usually brief) descriptions of the work of the Electronic Communications Subcommittee that were given in the body of other committee reports (mostly M&O). In those cases when ECSC gave a separate report, that is indicated here as well.

Electronic Communications Subcommittee Report to M&O, June 2017
See separate report.

From M&O Report to RepCom 2017:
ECSC is examining and improving annual session registration processes and developing a long-term vision for a new website for the yearly meeting.

From M&O Report to Annual Session 2016:
Electronic Communications: The subcommittee believes it would be able to supervise and advise, but not execute a plan for the PYM website. The subcommittee is also looking at our Yearly Meeting's communication systems and privacy policies. Ministry & Oversight has asked the subcommittee to develop a proposal for contracting the services of a professional web designer.

From M&O Report to RepCom 2016:
Electronic Communications: The subcommittee is exploring the Yearly Meeting's online presence with particular attention to making our website both accessible and informative. The subcommittee is also looking at our Yearly Meeting's communication systems and privacy policies.

Report from Secretariat Committee to RepCom 2016:
Official packets are still not prepared, apologies, though the individual reports are available from the website. Secretariat hopes to get these done soon.

One idea that emerged during last session was having an increased online presence. Many, if not most people, carry internet enabled devices. In addition, such devices are extremely helpful for those with vision and other impairments. For all attendees, having information go out in real time could supplement the Miracle and announcements. An example, 10 minutes before interest group time, we could send an up-to-date listing of the groups and locations.

Elisa Jo Harkness has suggested creating a Slack channel for PYM session. People do need to sign up for the service, but it is free of charge. Some preparation will be required before session, and of course it would be responsibility of Secretariat to provide content. I believe it is worth trying.

Faithfully submitted,
Raph Levien

From M&O Report to Annual Session 2015: *(unchanged from report to RepCom 2015)*
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Membership of the subcommittee: Don Bean, Conejo Valley, convener; Brylie Oxley, Grass Valley; Kerwin Flowers, La Jolla; Tom Yamaguchi, Strawberry Creek; Eric Moon, Berkeley

From M&O Report to Annual Session 2013:
The Electronic Communications Subcommittee is a hidden strength of our Yearly Meeting. Working behind the scenes, they maintain our Yearly Meeting website, giving us access to prior Yearly Meeting and Representative Committee minutes as well as current committee reports so that we can participate in our Yearly Meeting in a more informed manner. This year, we are putting the State of the Meeting reports on the Pacific Yearly Meeting website, and you will find them in two batches: Southern California Quarterly Meeting and College Park Quarterly Meeting. In addition the subcommittee has been of assistance to the registrars in supporting the online registration.
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Several interest groups are being sponsored by Ministry and Oversight and its subcommittees:
- Electronic Communication Subcommittee: PYM in the Cloud—What it is and why we need it.

From M&O Report to RepCom 2013:
No description of ECSC's work, only a mention that they have requested time to present an Interest Group at Annual Session 2013.

From M&O Report to Annual Session 2012:
See separate Electronic Communications Subcommittee and Web Coordinator Report to M&O 2012.

From Youth Program [sic] Coordinator Report to RepCom 2012:
With much help from Don Bean (Conejo Valley, PYM Electronic Communications), Alyssa has been working to develop a youth program section on the PYM website. So far it is mostly a compilation of documents, and just recently she and Don added the beginnings of an events calendar.

EECS Survey Results Report to Annual Session 2011:
See separate report.

From the Minutes of RepCom 2011:

Secretariat and Electronic Communications subcommittee: Don Bean (Conejo Valley), the http://PacificYearlyMeeting.org website will have all the information you will need for PYM registration and to subscribe to the RSS feed for website update notifications. All committees would have the ability to share any documents, reports or blogs on the website. Every committee should have its own page on the website. Don will give tutorials to those interested. Conference calls between/among committee members is a different process – contact the treasurer for more information.

Any lists containing personal contact information are password protected on the website. A list of all meeting Representatives could be added here. The password for all protected documents is available from Don Bean – the Contact Form link is on the website. Perhaps we need an Interest Group, a tutorial, on the website and other social networks, though not everyone is in favor of using these electronic social networks.

From Nominating Committee Roster for Annual Session 2010
(For information only) Ministry and Oversight's Subcommittees
Subcommittee on Electronic Communications:
Don Bean, clerk
Sharon Gates (liaison to M. & O.)
Eric Moon
Jan Tappan
Tom Yamaguchi

Earlier material
As of this writing I have not researched before AS 2010.

George Mills, Website Editor and Secretariat Clerk, 2021-06-29