

Pacific Yearly Meeting
Arrangements Committee
Report to Representative Committee (RepCom) 2022

Your Arrangements Committee is looking forward to supporting the logistics for the holding of Annual Session 2022, whether our gathering is held online, in-person or a combination of both (hybrid). As we get closer to the date, we will be reaching out to you, our Pacific Yearly Meeting community, with a wide variety of options to volunteer at Annual Session. Whether you are available for just a few minutes or you can consider a longer commitment, there will be something for everyone to help make Annual Session run smoothly.

Communications Committee is bringing a minute that would transfer the responsibility for the Daily Miracle (newsletter produced each day during Annual Session) and on-site Secretariat tasks (when Annual Session is held in-person) to Arrangements Committee. If the minute is approved, Arrangements Committee will welcome the opportunity to provide these services.

In addition to our logistical support for Annual Session, Arrangements Committee carries the ongoing task of exploring sites for the holding of our annual gathering. This work acknowledges that our community and our needs are continually evolving, and a site where we have enjoyed holding Annual Session in the past may not be appropriate for our needs in the future.

We look at over 20 different elements when considering a site, including compatibility with our community, ADA accessibility, lodging options and meeting spaces (both outdoor and indoor), how dietary concerns are addressed, general location (accessible by public transportation, proximity to out-of-town transportation), weather and altitude, opportunities for hiking and swimming, capacity for hybrid meetings, and of course, cost.

With the advent of new technologies, Friends now have the option to consider participating in Annual Session activities remotely (online). This means we may not again reach numbers of 350+ Friends at an in-person Annual Session. As a result, we are starting to look at sites that had previously been considered too small to accommodate us. We appreciate your continued suggestions and recommendations of sites for the holding of Annual Session in both southern and northern California.

Respectful submitted by
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Currently serving on Arrangements Committee are:
Ann Fuller (Santa Monica), Bronwen Hillman (Mexico City) (Clerk), Judi Oehmen (Santa Monica) and Peni Hall (Strawberry Creek) plus Lawrence Alderson (Orange County) *ex officio* in their role as Registrar