Orlando Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business Thirteenth Day, Sixth Month, 2021 | June 13, 2021

Opening Worship: Friends were called to gather in silence by Liz Jenkins, Meeting Clerk, at noon. The Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business settled with a brief period of silent worship.

Reading: "It's been hard for a lot of us to keep track of time over the past year. Sometimes things that happened yesterday can feel like they happened a week ago.

But I do know one thing about the time we're in today: This is the time to be bold and to hope loudly. It is a time to invest in things that bring life and joy and promote the health and well-being of all – instead of in systems that oppress, kill, and keep us from creating the world we all deserve. This is a time to recognize the many ways our safety depends on caring for each other – not on weapons, prisons, or hoarding resources from those who need them."

Joyce Ajlouny, General Secretary, American Friends Service Committee, "Quaker Action," Spring 2021, Volume 102, Number 1, "Now is the time to dream boldly," p. 3

Treasurer's Report: Greg Allen-Anderson. The summary of the Treasurer's monthly essential items is on page 3 of his report. Also attached is an addendum to the June report, which considers (1) the SEYM apportionment and (2) a grant request from Deland Worship Group.

Greg brought attention to the percentage of the Budget versus actual expenditures to May 31.

2021.01 OMM approves the '20-'21 budget to cover an additional \$407.71 in apportionment to SEYM.

Greg assessed the impact of a requested grant to Deland for their meeting place and program. The gift can be financially accommodated. (See Attachment)

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as amended.

<u>Attachments</u>: Monthly Report, Orlando Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends for the period ended May 31, 2021, and the Addendum (amendment) to the June Report.

Deland Worship Group Grant Request. See the attachments for details.

Several of the Deland Worship Group were present on Zoom. Many are members of Orlando MM. Two are members of Miami MM.

OMM Clerk reviewed Deland's situation (See Attachment)

Additional Requested Information requested was provided by Deland and appears in the attachments.

In statements made and questions raised, many from Orlando and Deland spoke in support of the grant. We (OMM) can nurture Deland by supporting them through this grant.

A query was made about the sustainability of the project. A Deland member saw a symbiotic, mutually advantageous relationship between the Collective Church (See Attachment) and the Deland Worship Group. The location of the meeting place is central to the town and its activity. The site has excellent potential as a spiritual home for seekers and refuge. The building can also be used for wider Quaker gatherings and rental to outside groups.

2021.06.-02 Orlando Monthly Meeting unites in approving amending the 2021 budget to include \$10K to nurture DeLand Worship Group and invest in growth for the Central Florida Friends and friends of Friends community.

<u>Attachments</u>: Grant proposal From DeLand Worship Group to Orlando Monthly Meeting June 6, 2021, Additional Information Related to DeLand Worship Group Proposal/Request, and Meeting Place Photos

Committee Reports

Nominating Committee: Gary Evans, Committee Clerk, and Liz Jenkins, Meeting Clerk, spoke to the report.

(A.) OMM Nominating Committee enthusiastically recommends Thomas Richardson Richardson to serve as Recording Clerk of the Meeting through 02/2023.

Laid Over to 8/8/21: OMM Friends enthusiastically unite in approving Thomas Richardson to serve as Recording Clerk of the Meeting through 02/2023

(B.) Adjustment of the dates of service for certain incoming and outgoing officers of OMM.

2021.06-03 OMM Friends enthusiastically unite in approving Greg Allen-Anderson to serve in the role of OMM Clerk effective from September 12, 2021, to June 2023. (This is an adjustment of dates only and does not necessitate a second reading.)

2021.06-04 OMM Friends enthusiastically unite in approving Christine Stinson to serve in the role of Treasurer effective from September 12, 2021, to June 2023. (This is an adjustment of dates only and does not necessitate a second reading.)

2021.06-05 OMM Friends unite in approving Elizabeth Jenkins to continue to serve in her current role as OMM Clerk effective from June 13, 2021, to September 12, 2021.

2021.06-06 OMM Friends unite in approving Greg Allen-Anderson to continue to serve in his current role as OMM Clerk effective from June 13, 2021, to September 12, 2021.

Nominating Committee will meet with Tom Richardson regarding the role of Recording Clerk as an officer of the Meeting.

Property Committee - Ray Jenkins, Committee Clerk.

2021.06-07 OMM Friends approve the expenditure of approximately \$ 1,500 for the purchase of a Meeting OWL Pro and approximately \$1,000 for the purchase of a laptop, with the understanding that the OWL will be tested and returned during the manufacturer's 30-day return period if it does not serve OMM's needs.

2021.06-08 OMM Friends approve the solicitation of bids to repair the pathway from the parking lot to the Meeting House and the Meeting House patio. Friends approve a budget allocation of up to \$5,000 for completion of the project.

2021.06-09 OMM Friends approve the following wording for signs to be purchased and installed at each of the three driveway entrances to the OMM property and the front and rear entrances to the Meeting House and to be included in communications with contractors who will be visiting the property:

Welcome to Quakers of Orlando We are a peace community All weapons are prohibited on These premises

Attachment: Sign Rendering

The committee brought forth a list of "projects" for the Meeting to consider. (See attached report.)

"The Property Committee recommends The Meeting develop a vision for the future to empower the property committee to make the repairs, replacements, and improvements necessary to maintain and advance the usefulness and integrity of the Meeting's property."

Attachment: Property Committee Presentation

Social and Community Giving Committee met via ZOOM on June 7, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

Doug Dwyer, Sharon Dwyer, Richard Moore, Gregory Allen-Anderson. Also Present: Liz Jenkins, ex officio as meeting clerk. Greg spoke to the Meeting for Business.

"The committee then reviewed our giving history and reviewed the organizations that had received past funding to understand the work they do and how that work aligns with Quaker principles and values. The committee unites in recommending the following gifts be made by the Treasurer as soon as practical after the Meeting has approved them." (See the Attachment)

2021.06-10 Friends unite in approving the recommendation of the Social and Community Giving Committee for the Fall recipients and amounts.

Attachment: Social and Community Giving Committee Meeting Minutes 06/07/2021

Worship and Ministry Committee: Minerva Glidden, Clerk

Reopening the Meetinghouse for indoor in-person worship and fellowship:

2021.06-11 Friends approve the following wording for reopening announcements in the newsletter and signs at the Meetinghouse:

"The Meetinghouse is open for worship and fellowship. Please wear a mask out of consideration for others who may be vulnerable or join us on Zoom."

Reawakening Young Friends Group:

2021.06-12 OMM agrees to an ad hoc committee to seek way forward with our activities and programs for children, youth, and families, to listen to each other and Spirit, and to find new Light for our current and future community.

Appreciation of Florance Rezeau:

2021.06-13 OMM Friends unite in a minute of appreciation for Florance Rezeau for her years of devotion and warmth in gently and steadfastly nurturing the Spirit of each Young Friend and helping to create a joyful and caring community at Young Friends Group. We wish her and Kemisha well in all their new endeavors and will always value their friendship.

Attachment: Worship & Ministry Committee Meeting Minutes

Clerk's Concern: Articles and Bylaws:

2021.06-14 OMM unites In approving an ad hoc committee to review and make recommendations to the Meeting. of the OMM Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. Members of the committee are Liz Jenkins, Ed Lesnick, Chris Laning, and Minerva Glidden.

Items for Next Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business:

Trustees: Request for the possible formation of an ad hoc Technical Committee Trustees: Financial Report Property Committee - landscaping Nominating Committee – nomination of Tom Richardson as Recording Clerk

Date for Next Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business: 8/8/2021

Review of Numbered Minutes. The minutes were accepted as initially approved.

Closing Worship: The Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business concluded at 2:51 p.m.

In attendance via "Zoom" for All or Part of the Meeting:

Carl Hersh Chris Laning Cheryl Demers-Holton Christine Stinson Dan Vaughen Ed Lesnick (Recording Clerk) Gary Evans Gregory Allen-Anderson Jim Cain Kathy Hersh Kayley May Kody Hersh Liz Jenkins (Meeting Clerk) Minerva Glidden Ray Jenkins Richelle Ogle Stephanie Preston-Hughes Steve Tonjes Susan Vaughen Tom Gotshall

Monthly Report

Orlando Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends For the period ended May 31, 2021

> Prepared by Gregory Allen-Anderson

> > Prepared on June 4, 2021

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Treasurer's Monthly Report

Treasurer's Expenses

The annual fee for Quickbooks hit in May which put us over budget. This is a timing issue.

The following issues are still being monitored.

Webster Cottage Utilities - This was caused by a water leak which has been repaired. I will continue to monitor to make sure future bills are closer to budget. Current expenses are tracking with the monthly budgeted amounts.

Care and Community - this is budgeted at a flat rate through the year, but the disbursements are not regular. This should balance out as the year progresses

Depreciation - budget includes depreciation for Webster Cottage roof which hasn't been completed yet. This will continue to be under budget.

Profit and Loss

January - May, 2021

| | Total |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| INCOME | |
| 5100 Support Gifts | 3,645.50 |
| 5200 Reimbursement/ Use of MH/ Parki | 750.00 |
| 5500 Trustee transfers, yearly | 75,000.00 |
| 5600 Trustee transfers for Grants | 50,000.00 |
| Total Income | 129,395.50 |
| GROSS PROFIT | 129,395.50 |
| EXPENSES | |
| 6010 Repairs & Maintenance | 1,753.78 |
| 6040 Housekeeping | 1,400.00 |
| 6045 Pest Control | 390.00 |
| 6050 Grounds Care | 2,165.00 |
| 6060 Bank Service Charges | 116.00 |
| 6070 Phone/Internet | 1,641.15 |
| 6090 Utilities MH | 2,992.64 |
| 6100 Insurance | 2,134.47 |
| 6110 Utilities, WC | 729.19 |
| 6155 Treasurers' expenses | 169.96 |
| 6160 Property Care and Maintenance | 3,466.68 |
| 6500 Other Property Expenses | 475.52 |
| 7030 Outreach & Adult Education | 300.00 |
| 7070 Library & Subscriptions | 45.00 |
| 7090 Communications | 149.90 |
| 7150 Care & Community | 500.00 |
| 7210 Young Friends Group | 1,050.00 |
| 7220 SEYM | 2,960.50 |
| 7400 Special Ministry Projects | 200.00 |
| Bento Uncategorized Expense | 29.00 |
| PayPal Fees | 35.30 |
| Total Expenses | 22,704.09 |
| NET OPERATING INCOME | 106,691.41 |
| OTHER INCOME | |
| Interest Earned | 22.25 |
| Total Other Income | 22.25 |
| OTHER EXPENSES | |
| Depreciation | 689.10 |
| Total Other Expenses | 689.10 |
| NET OTHER INCOME | -666.85 |
| NET INCOME | \$106,024.56 |

Balance Sheet

As of May 31, 2021

| | Total |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| ASSETS | |
| Current Assets | |
| Bank Accounts | |
| 1025 Bento | 471.00 |
| 6020950 OMM Savings | 30,316.06 |
| 6020957 OMM Checking | 144,877.88 |
| 1026 Pendle Hill Scholarship Fund | 3,900.00 |
| 1027 St. Augustine | 2,736.39 |
| Total 6020957 OMM Checking | 151,514.27 |
| PayPal Bank | 1,874.32 |
| Total Bank Accounts | 184,175.65 |
| Other Current Assets | |
| 12000 Undeposited Funds | -4.53 |
| Total Other Current Assets | -4.53 |
| Total Current Assets | 184,171.12 |
| Fixed Assets | |
| 1800 Land | 7,000.00 |
| 1901 Webster Cottage | 23,500.00 |
| 1902 Acc Depr Webster Cottage | -23,500.00 |
| Total 1901 Webster Cottage | 0.00 |
| 1905 Air Conditioner Units 2019 | 2,736.00 |
| Depreciation | -1,675.0 ⁻ |
| Original cost | 15,000.00 |
| Total 1905 Air Conditioner Units 2019 | 16,060.99 |
| 1907 Roof Replacement | 12,964.76 |
| 1908 Meeting House Roof Acc. Depr. | -353.61 |
| Total 1907 Roof Replacement | 12,611.15 |
| Total Fixed Assets | 35,672.14 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$219,843.26 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | |
| Liabilities | |
| Total Liabilities | |
| Equity | |
| 30000 Opening Balance Equity | 20,656.16 |
| 32000 Retained Earnings | 93,162.54 |
| Net Income | 106,024.50 |
| Total Equity | 219,843.20 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | \$219,843.26 |

Budget vs Actuals 2021

January - May, 2021

| | | | | Tota |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Actual | Budget | over Budget | % of Budget |
| INCOME | | | | |
| 5100 Support Gifts | 3,645.50 | 2,750.00 | 895.50 | 132.56 % |
| 5200 Reimbursement/ Use of MH/ Parki | 750.00 | 850.00 | -100.00 | 88.24 % |
| 5500 Trustee transfers, yearly | 75,000.00 | 75,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 % |
| 5600 Trustee transfers for Grants | 50,000.00 | 50,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 % |
| Total Income | 129,395.50 | 128,600.00 | 795.50 | 100.62 % |
| GROSS PROFIT | 129,395.50 | 128,600.00 | 795.50 | 100.62 % |
| EXPENSES | | | | |
| 6010 Repairs & Maintenance | 1,753.78 | 2,083.35 | -329.57 | 84.18 % |
| 6040 Housekeeping | 1,400.00 | 2,291.65 | -891.65 | 61.09 % |
| 6045 Pest Control | 390.00 | 833.35 | -443.35 | 46.80 % |
| 6050 Grounds Care | 2,165.00 | 2,741.65 | -576.65 | 78.97 % |
| 6060 Bank Service Charges | 116.00 | 166.65 | -50.65 | 69.61 % |
| 6070 Phone/Internet | 1,641.15 | 1,700.00 | -58.85 | 96.54 % |
| 6090 Utilities MH | 2,992.64 | 2,992.64 | 0.00 | 100.00 % |
| 6100 Insurance | 2,134.47 | 3,000.00 | -865.53 | 71.15 % |
| 6110 Utilities, WC | 729.19 | 570.00 | 159.19 | 127.93 % |
| 6150 Professional Fees | | 416.65 | -416.65 | |
| 6155 Treasurers' expenses | 169.96 | 125.00 | 44.96 | 135.97 % |
| 6160 Property Care and Maintenance | 3,466.68 | 4,375.00 | -908.32 | 79.24 % |
| 6500 Other Property Expenses | 475.52 | 1,041.65 | -566.13 | 45.65 % |
| 7030 Outreach & Adult Education | 300.00 | 416.65 | -116.65 | 72.00 % |
| 7050 Fellowship & Hospitality | | 444.44 | -444.44 | |
| 7070 Library & Subscriptions | 45.00 | 208.35 | -163.35 | 21.60 % |
| 7090 Communications | 149.90 | 222.72 | -72.82 | 67.30 % |
| 7100 Travel | | 416.65 | -416.65 | |
| 7110 Travel for SEYM | | 833.35 | -833.35 | |
| 7150 Care & Community | 500.00 | 416.65 | 83.35 | 120.00 % |
| 7170 Peace & Social Concerns | | 833.35 | -833.35 | |
| 7210 Young Friends Group | 1,050.00 | 1,250.00 | -200.00 | 84.00 % |
| 7220 SEYM | 2,960.50 | 3,715.00 | -754.50 | 79.69 % |
| 7230 Worship & Ministry | | 208.35 | -208.35 | |
| 7300 Homeless Ministry | | 1,250.00 | -1,250.00 | |
| 7400 Special Ministry Projects | 200.00 | 0.00 | 200.00 | |
| | 200.00 | 125.00 | | |
| 7500 Other Expenses | | | -125.00 | |
| 8240 Meeting Projects | | 83.35 | -83.35 | |
| 8330 Scholarships | | 625.00 | -625.00 | |
| 8500 Donations | | 625.00 | -625.00 | |
| Bento Uncategorized Expense | 29.00 | | 29.00 | |

| | | | | Total |
|----------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Actual | Budget | over Budget | % of Budget |
| PayPal Fees | 35.30 | 41.65 | -6.35 | 84.75 % |
| Total Expenses | 22,704.09 | 34,053.10 | -11,349.01 | 66.67 % |
| NET OPERATING INCOME | 106,691.41 | 94,546.90 | 12,144.51 | 112.84 % |
| OTHER INCOME | | | | |
| Interest Earned | 22.25 | 104.15 | -81.90 | 21.36 % |
| Total Other Income | 22.25 | 104.15 | -81.90 | 21.36 % |
| OTHER EXPENSES | | | | |
| Depreciation | 689.10 | 853.35 | -164.25 | 80.75 % |
| Total Other Expenses | 689.10 | 853.35 | -164.25 | 80.75 % |
| NET OTHER INCOME | -666.85 | -749.20 | 82.35 | 89.01 % |
| NET INCOME | \$106,024.56 | \$93,797.70 | \$12,226.86 | 113.04 % |

Vendor Payments Last Month

May 2021

| Way 2021 | | |
|--|------------|---------|
| Vendor | Date | Amount |
| Armstrong Lock & Security | | |
| Armstrong Lock & Security | 05/06/2021 | -172.95 |
| August Muehleman | | |
| August Muehleman | 05/05/2021 | -866.67 |
| Brinks Home Security | | |
| Brinks Home Security | 05/05/2021 | -53.24 |
| Cassy's Services LLC | | |
| Cassy's Services LLC | 05/26/2021 | -300.00 |
| Friends General Conference | | |
| Friends General Conference | 05/10/2021 | -200.00 |
| Henry Electric, Inc. | | |
| Henry Electric, Inc. | 05/05/2021 | -175.00 |
| Jorge Arenas Landscaping and Lawnservice LLC | | |
| Jorge Arenas Landscaping and Lawnservice LLC | 05/01/2021 | -420.00 |
| Jorge Arenas Landscaping and Lawnservice LLC | 05/28/2021 | -420.00 |
| LOWES | | |
| LOWES | 05/13/2021 | -712.49 |
| Marie Florance Rezeau | | |
| Marie Florance Rezeau | 05/17/2021 | -200.00 |

| Vendor | Date | Amount |
|-----------------|------------|---------|
| Massey Services | | |
| Massey Services | 05/08/2021 | -78.00 |
| OUC | | |
| OUC | 05/27/2021 | -144.19 |
| Pendle Hill | | |
| Pendle Hill | 05/01/2021 | -45.00 |
| Spectrum | | |
| Spectrum | 05/04/2021 | -211.26 |
| Spectrum | 05/06/2021 | -116.97 |
| TechSoup | | |
| TechSoup | 05/22/2021 | -75.00 |

Addendum to Treasurer's Report Sixth Month 2021

There are two items that the treasurer is bringing to the meeting for discernment.

- The apportionment that we received from SEYM was substantially over what we budgeted. This was due primarily to the increased numbers of members and attenders reported by OMM and its worship groups over those reported for the previous year. While half of this apportionment will be paid in 2022 and is therefore outside the scope of the current budget, paying the apportioned amount to SEYM will result in a budget overage in \$407.71 in the current fiscal year. This exceeds our 2021 budgeted SEYM apportionment by 5.5%. Our financial controls require that the treasurer receive meeting approval for payments to SEYM over the budgeted amount.
- 2. The Deland Worship Group has submitted a request for funding that was not budgeted. In this Addendum, I am not suggesting approval or disapproval of this funding request. Here, I am only reporting what the effect of granting that request would have on the finances of the meeting. While the requested \$10,000 expenditure is substantial, it is my opinion that granting the request will not significantly affect the financial condition of OMM.

The projected cash surplus at the end of 2021 is forecast to be \$19,388.08. We budget in such a way that we project a cash surplus of at least \$15,000 each year to leave room for unplanned expenditures without needing to request additional funding from the trustees. Most years we exceed that cash surplus considerably. This year, for instance, we carried forward \$42,808.56 from last year when the budgeted cash surplus was \$15,039.83.

| Our budgeted 2021 ending cash balance is | \$ 19,388.08 |
|--|-----------------------|
| Current St. Augustine Balance | \$ (2,736.79) |
| Current Pendle Hill Scholarship Balance | \$ (<u>3,900.00)</u> |
| Undesignated ending cash balance | \$ 12,751.29 |
| SEYM Apportionment Overage | \$ (407.71) |
| Deland Worship Group Request | \$(<u>10,000.00)</u> |
| Revised Undesignated ending balance | \$ 2,343.58 |

There is enough room in the current budget to absorb both of these expenses, and while the ending cash balance looks small, we almost always expend substantially less than budgeted over all.

The treasurer would like the direction of the meeting on these two expenditures.

If the meeting elects to fund the Deland Worship Group request the treasurer will establish a designated fund to track the disbursements and contributions made on behalf of the Deland Worship Group (just as we do already for the St. Augustine Worship Group).

Grant proposal From DeLand Worship Group to Orlando Monthly Meeting June 6, 2021

Summary:

We seek funding to secure a meeting space and outreach/educational materials that will help us grow.

Background:

DeLand Worship Group was formed in 2019 under the care of Orlando Monthly Meeting. DeLand Worship Group includes 10 members of Orlando Monthly Meeting and 3 members of other Meetings within Southeastern Yearly Meeting. Our Sunday morning worship is generally attended by between 15 and 20 people.

From the beginning, our vision was to grow from a Worship Group to a Monthly Meeting. We began by holding weekly Meeting for Worship at the home of Ann Jerome and John Margerum, publicizing our worship time and place in Quaker publications and in the local newspaper. However, we were aware that meeting in a private home affords no opportunity for permanent signage and may feel uncomfortable to newcomers.

Years ago, DeLand had a Worship Group that grew to be a Preparative Meeting under the care of Orlando Monthly Meeting. That Meeting was laid down when its membership dwindled. The lack of a conducive, visible, permanent space was a continual challenge. Many of those who had been part of DeLand Preparative Meeting found a home at Collective Church, a DeLand congregation whose message and vision are compatible with those of Friends.

Collective has acquired and restored a very desirable space in downtown DeLand. We have been in conversation with Collective since before the pandemic, about the possibility of DeLand Worship Group meeting in their space. Now that pandemic restrictions are easing, we have begun meeting there on Sunday mornings and discussing how to make it our permanent home.

Current situation:

Collective's space is the historic Dreka Theater building and consists of a very large, fully furnished meeting room; a kitchen; a children's room; and other public spaces. The building is entirely wheelchair accessible. The main entrance is at 112 East New York Avenue (route 44) in the center of DeLand. Immediately beside the building is a public parking lot, and the Dreka has a side entrance right in front of the handicapped parking spaces. Collective has indicated that we are welcome to post permanent signage in the large windows along New York Avenue.

Collective's plan on acquiring the Dreka Theater just before the pandemic was that renting the space for events such as weddings, parties, etc. would provide financial support for their congregation and its ecumenical vision, including hosting congruent groups such as DeLand Worship Group. They have told us that our presence there helps to serve their ecumenical and social justice mission, something more valuable to them than money. They are enthusiastic about encouraging their members to explore Friends organizations and programs. Several of their members have already become regular attenders of our worship.

The next six months will be critical for Collective and for the future of this space. The pandemic prohibited large events that would have provided rental income, and Collective is now working to build its event space rental clientele. If its rental income proves sufficient, Collective will be able to remain here and to realize its vision of providing meeting space to congruent groups at very low cost. However, if they are not able to meet expenses by December 2021, they could lose the space and its future would be very uncertain.

Collective's service is held at 5 PM on Sundays, so we have had our preferred time for Meeting for Worship, Sunday mornings. Other church groups, less congruent with Collective, have expressed interest in renting the Dreka Sunday mornings. Collective has set rent for such groups at \$2000/month, or \$2500 with office space included. For these six months while they build their event rental clientele, we would like to be able to offer Collective sufficient rent that they will not need to release the building to another church group on Sunday mornings. Once Collective's income stream is established from rental for special events at other times, we can negotiate down the amount we pay for Sunday mornings. We would make this plan clear to Collective.

We are also seeing the need for educational and outreach materials. We hope that a visible public space with signage could attract more seekers. We envision growing in number as well as in spiritual depth, so we would like to purchase materials to help orient newcomers to Quaker faith and practice and to provide ongoing education for our regular attenders.

| Budget: | |
|--|----------------|
| Donation to Collective (as rent), \$1500 monthly, July-December 2021 | \$9,000 |
| Educational materials, signage, outreach | <u>\$1,000</u> |
| Total | \$10,000 |

Since DeLand Worship Group is part of Orlando Monthly Meeting, we are not an independent 501(C)3 and do not have a bank account or financial records. At the end of the grant period, we will be glad to provide Orlando Monthly Meeting with a detailed accounting of how the grant funds were used.

Thank you for considering our request.

In the Light, DeLand Worship Group

Supporting materials:

Collective Church website: <u>https://www.wearecollectivechurch.com/</u> Photos of Dreka Theater meeting space (on following pages)

















Additional Information Related to DeLand Worship Group Proposal/Request

- **Rental comparisons:** We have not conducted this research, because the Dreka Theater space and the partnership with Collective have been so perfect for our vision. Collective's own research into a reasonable rent for a church space on Sunday mornings produced the figures mentioned in our proposal, \$2500/month with office space included or \$2000/month without. Rents in DeLand have risen sharply, especially downtown, so these are not surprising figures.

- Why rent instead of purchase: As a new worship group, we don't feel ready yet to take on the responsibilities of property ownership.

- A continuity plan, to reach independence of Orlando Monthly Meeting finances: Our plan is to work toward becoming a Preparative Meeting, which would allow us to receive donations. We see ourselves requesting Preparative Meeting status soon, perhaps within the next six months.

- **Future of our use of Collective's space:** Collective has indicated that they would like to have us remain in the building indefinitely, and even to collaborate with us as way opens, since our visions are so similar. Ideally, they would charge us very little, if anything, for rent. During the next six months, Collective's goal is to gain a sufficient income stream from renting the space for special events, that they will not need to charge standard rental rates to us and other groups congruent with their vision. We will make clear to Collective, should our request be approved, that this is a one-time arrangement with no implications beyond December 2021. By that time, both we and Collective will have much more information about our needs and resources going forward.

Quakers of Orlando

Religious Society of Friends

Property Committee Presentation

Minute 1

OMM Friends approve the expenditure of approximately \$ 1,500 for the purchase of a Meeting OWL Pro and approximately \$1,000 for the purchase of a laptop, with the understanding that the OWL will be tested and returned during the manufacturer's 30-day return period if it does not serve OMM's needs.

Minute 2

OMM Friends approve the solicitation of bids to repair the pathway from the parking lot to the Meeting House and the Meeting House patio. Friends approve a budget allocation of up to \$5,000 for completion of the project.

Minute 3

OMM Friends approve the following wording for signs to be purchased and installed at each of the three driveway entrances to the OMM property and at the front and rear entrances to the Meeting House and to be included in communications with contractors who will be visiting the property:

Welcome to Quakers of Orlando We are a peace community All weapons are prohibited on These premises

Projects List

- 1) Cottage roof and leak damage repair.
- 2) Meeting House ceiling damage repair.
- 3) Meeting House bathroom foyer ceiling leak damage repair.
- 4) Paving.

5) Pressure wash and paint wall around the Meeting House and Cottage, the Marks St side pillars, steps and handrail, signage uprights, and roof facing.

- 6) Replace the signs front and back.
- 7) Plant 2 rows of hedges and flowers on the Marks St. side.
- 8) Development of a temporary landscape team to research and

establish a complete plan of action to produce a natural vegetation environment.

The Meeting needs a vision for the future to empower the property committee to make the repairs, replacements, and improvements necessary to maintain and advance the usefulness and integrity of the Meeting's property.



Social and Community Giving Committee Meeting Minutes 06/07/2021

Committee Members Present: Doug Dwyer, Sharon Dwyer, Richard Moore, Gregory Allen-Anderson

Also Present: Liz Jenkins, ex officio as meeting clerk.

The committee met via ZOOM at 3:00 p.m. After a brief period of worship the committee discussed a request received from the Deland Worship Group requesting funding for meeting space. Committee members were pleased to see the growth of the Deland Worship Group that created the need for this request. The committee determined that because the Deland Worship Group is not legally distinct from Orlando Monthly Meeting that this request did not fall within the parameters of the Social and Community Giving Plan. The committee recommends that this request be considered for approval by OMM as an unbudgeted expense.

The committee then reviewed our giving history and reviewed the organizations that had received past funding to understand the work they do and how that work aligns with Quaker principles and values.

The committee unites in recommending the following gifts be made by the treasurer as soon as practical after the meet has approved them.

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Committee members also agreed that they would research worthy organizations in the area of Earth care for funding consideration when we meet in the fall.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by Gregory Allen-Anderson as convenor of the Social and Community Giving Committee.

Worship and Ministry Committee, 6/3/21, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Minutes brought forward:

Reopening the Meetinghouse for indoor in-person worship and fellowship:

Minute: Worship and Ministry Committee unites in recommending approving the following wording for reopening announcements in the newsletter and signs at the Meetinghouse.

"The Meetinghouse is open for worship and fellowship. If you can, please wear a mask out of consideration for others who may be vulnerable."

Reawakening Young Friends Group:

Minute: Worship and Ministry Committee recommends an ad hoc committee to seek way forward with our activities and programs for children, youth, and families, to listen to each other and to Spirit, and to find new Light for our current and future community.

Appreciation of Florance Rezeau:

Minute: Worship and Ministry Committee unites in a minute of appreciation for Florance Rezeau for her years of devotion and warmth in gently and steadfastly nurturing the spirit of each Young Friend and helping to create a joyful and caring community at Young Friends Group. We wish her and Kemisha well in all their new endeavors and will always value their friendship.