

# Virginia Beach Friends Meeting

1/14/2018

## Communications Committee Report To Meeting For Business

### Upcoming Events – Supported and Coming Up

- Christmas Eve - Singing and Caroling and Open Worship (12/24/2017)
- Meeting For Eating (1/21)
- Day For All People 2018 (1/23)
- Postponed FS Middle School Mystery Theater and Upper School Standup Comedy Night
- Standard yearly events have been setup on the 2018 Upcoming Event Calendar

### Purchase Request Recommendation

- Friends School Teacher Jeff has worked with us in getting the wireless Internet Connection setup in the Meetinghouse.
- Internet coverage is limited to certain areas of the Meetinghouse.
- T. Jeff recommended that Meeting purchase a NETGEAR GS108PEv3 8-Port Gigabit PoE Smart Managed Plus Switch | 4-Port 53w Power-over-Ethernet | ProSAFE Lifetime Protection.
- Current cost as of 11JAN, including shipping and handling, is less than \$125.
- Communications cmte is forwarding T. Jeff's recommendation to Meeting For Business.

### VBFM Transition To MailChimp For Bulk Emails

- The first VBFM Bulk Email was sent out via MailChimp this past week.
- There is still much more work to be done before this project is completed and we have all the processes/procedures worked out and documented for the VBFM Handbook.
- Planning and progress track is still being recorded at the [VBFM Transition to MailChimp](#) webpage.

### VBFM Newsletter

- Communication cmte will continue the NL into 2018, with the cmte serving as the NL Editor.
- We hope that this Nominating Season, Nominating cmte can recruit Comm cmte NL helpers to train for helping with the NL.
- We look to other committees and to the Friends Community to help with ideas and follow-through will NL content.

### January 21 Meeting For Eating

- Communications and Peace and Social Justice committees are working on the Program.
- We hope to have volunteers to help with Setup and Cleanup.
- We have worked out a Signup Genius invitation for folks to sign up to bring items to the MFE.

## **Observation**

In scheduling January's Meeting for Eating at last month's Meeting for Business we did not consider that we would be conflicting with the regularly scheduled Peace and Social Justice cmte meeting.

Our regular calendar:

First Sunday:	B&G, 9 am
Second Sunday:	MFB, 8:30 am
Third Sunday:	AFSC, 9am (when resumes) P&SJ, noon
Fourth Sunday:	MEO, 8:30
Fifth Sunday:	Hum Dingers

## **Questions**

- When scheduling Sunday Meeting for Eatings in 2018, what is the best Sunday to target?
- Do we want to schedule in advance other Meeting for Eating's in 2018?
- MEO, P&SJ and Comm cmte could share taking the 'lead' for choosing a topic and/or a QS video for Meeting for Eatings.
- (Note - we already have October 7/World Quaker Day on the calendar)

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