Virginia Beach Monthly Meeting of Friends
Worship & Community Minutes
Third Month 23, 2020

The meeting was conducted online via the Zoom app. Linda Smith was convener. Meeting opened with silence at 11:00 AM. We all used Linda's draft summary of responsibilities from 3/7, plus similar committees in four other meetings as a framework for our discussion.

Present: Nancy Craft, Jeannie Crawford, Nancy Delle Femine, Diane Fenton, Patrick Goold, Nancy Nixon, Deborah Reilly, Linda Smith, Pat & Andy Young

1) Friends liked the Chestnut Hill Summary, both in terms of its layout and comprehensive coverage of the aspects of such a committee. Additional sources also mentioned administering funds for sufferings and education, which we thought appropriate.

2) Membership in the meeting need not be required. Faithful attendance is preferable.

3) Responses to MEO queries, reading of advices, and recording elders and ministers are just some of a number of duties being revised in the new book of discipline. This Committee is trying to keep abreast of these tasks.

4) Yearly Meeting M&O is in a state of flux, choosing a new clerk. They typically ask the monthly meeting for appointed representatives to YM, meeting membership data, committee lists, etc.

5) A committee of Gwynne, Mary Pelham, Linda, and Jeannie agreed to wordsmith an updated draft.

6) There is nothing about elders either. Andy agreed to order copies of "Spirit Led Eldering" by Marge Larrabee from Pendle Hill for the group. Not sure how way will open for these will be distributed.

7) A visit by Brian Drayton was revisited. We hope he will be available in September.

8) We agreed to meet next on the fourth Monday in April (4/27) at 3pm.

Meeting closed with silence a little after 12:00.

Andrew Young, Recording Clerk of the Day