

Bellingham Friends Meeting
April 9, 2017
Meeting for Business Minutes - Approved

Present: John Hatten (Clerk), Lorina Hall, Mark Hersh, Wyoming McKenzie, Sharon Trent, Susan Richardson, Don Van Valkenburgh, Mary Ann Percy, Virginia Herrick, Aurora Fox, Joanne Cowan, Dusty Andersen, Laura Glenn, Judy Hopkinson (recording clerk), Dave Hopkinson, Kirsten McLewin, Larry Thompson

The Agenda was amended and approved.

2017.04.1 Interfaith Coalition Auction - Sharon announced that it raised even more money than last year in spite of our inability to participate

2017.04.2 SEC report (report Attached)

2017.04.3 M&C report (Attached)

2017.04.3.1 The State of Society Report (Attached) was generally approved with a few amendments. The meeting minutes its appreciation to Joanne for the excellent work on this document.

Amendments included the phrase "Friends can use these situations as an opportunity for learning forgiveness, how to listen better, and to bring Spirit into our communications". A few additional typos and technical errors were also corrected. The final revised version is included in the attachments for this meeting.

2017.04.3.2 M&C proposed that Dorrie Jordan be approved for addition to Nominating Committee

2017.04.3.3 Meeting Criteria for A Rental Location / and for Purchase of Raw Land / were approved with the clarification that these criteria (both rental and raw land purchase) are not set in stone and can be reconsidered for any particular property.

2017.04.3.4 **Job Description for Meeting House Scout** (Attachment #3 on the Meetinghouse document). M&C asked for a two year term with terms staggered to allow overlap as terms expire.

Virginia suggested that the purpose of the Scout Position be altered to include reference to Spiritual discernment. The Meeting agreed.

2017.04.3.5 **Charter for BFM Meetinghouse Committee** (Attachment #4) M&C asked that the term of service be specified. It was clarified that this committee job description, like all committee job descriptions, is a work in progress that would be reviewed by committee members.

A question was raised regarding the need for an "at large" member. Larry T explained that the idea arose from the perception that some friends could become over invested in a particular property. A Friend suggested that a particular role of the committee should be to foster Quakerly understanding / listening / and clear communication between the committee and the meeting. Larry will add reference to this role to the committee's charges.

Another Friend suggested that monthly reports be somewhat flexible and not necessary every single MfWfB. Another Friend suggested that each committee be invited to give a report at every meeting even if it is simply to say "No Report".

2017.04.3.6: The Meeting accepted Attachment #3 (Meeting House Scout) and #4 (Meetinghouse Committee) for seasoning.

2017.04.3.7 Revised instructions for Care of Meeting: (Attached). A particular change noted was an attempt to clarify that Announcements are separate from Joys and Sorrows. This would place "Rise of Meeting" after "joys and sorrows". It was suggested that this discussion might be better held during a second hour. Friends agreed.

2017.04.3.7 Greeter Guidelines are unclear about entry into meeting after 10 am. M&C suggested placing a sign on the door with instructions for late entry. **Friends approved M&C asking OWC to clarify Greeter Guidelines to insure choice regarding entry after meeting has began (wait in worship in the hall or go directly into meeting) and to prepare a sign for the door clarifying Quaker etiquette for entry into meeting.**

2017.04.3.8 The Meeting approves the ongoing practice of regularly accommodating Mother's Day by switching MfWfB in May to first Sunday rather than the second Sunday.

2017.04.4.9 Finance Committee - (Reports attached) asks that Friends come up to date with their normal contributions to facilitate the Meeting's cash-flow.

2017.04.5 Nominating Committee

2017.05.1 Job Descriptions for Key Holder, Hospitality Coordinator, Nominating Committee were approved

2017.05.2 Nominations previously seasoned were approved with the exception of Lynne Lohr who has resigned as sponsored Attender to FGC. **Mary Ann Percy was approved as the sponsored attender for FGC**

2017.05.3 Those indicated in yellow highlights in the report were accepted for seasoning

**Allen Stockbridge - Meetinghouse scout
Sharon Trent - Key holders
Jessica Bee - Children's Program
Laura Howrey - Finance
Lynne Lohr - OWC
Don Lotze - SEC**

A Friend suggested that at least one additional person be nominated for the Scout Position

2017.03.5 Mark Hersh read a report on Quarterly Meeting Plans as submitted by Don Goldstein. The Meeting approved Don taking the song books to Quarterly.

2017.03.6 - Other

- **Reminder to RSVP to Lopez Friends re May 20th**
- **Mark H asked for a link to George Lakey's article in enews (Jan Friends Journal**
- **Lighting - the lights in the room are not fluorescent, they are LED - It was asked that Friends continue to explore other options.**
- **A report on the results of the E-News survey is available on request.**

Bellingham Friends Meeting
Called Meeting for Business
April 23, 2017

Present: John Hatten (Clerk), Laurie Glenn, Joanne Cowan, Leanne Truong, Larry Thompson, Dave Hopkinson, Jim Gordon, Don Reinke, Mimi Freshley, Greg Doudna, Aurora Fox, Joan Of-teness, Kathy Long, Stephanie Manzo, Akiva Manzo, Sue Carey, Margi Fulton, Alice Robb, Judy Hopkinson, Dorrie Jordan, Jean Brechan, Lorina Hall, Rachel Van Boven, Virginia Herrick, Dusty Andersen

2017.04 (c).1 The previous approved designee being unable to attend, the Meeting approved Rachel Van Boven as the 2017 BFM sponsored attender to The Gathering of Friends General Conference

M&C Report
April 9, 2017

1. April query-- From NPYM Faith and Practice, "Do we center our lives in the awareness in the presence of God so that all things take their rightful place?"
2. We would like to present for seasoning Dorrie Jordan to join Nominating Committee for a one year term to serve with Don Goldstein, Joanne Cowen and Dusty Anderson.
3. Meetinghouse Scouts—Please see Current issues related to Meetinghouse document Version #3. We ask approval of Attachments 1 and 2 (Criteria for rental and purchase of land) and seasoning for attachments 3 and 4 (MH scout job description and charter for MH committee). If anyone is interested in these roles, please contact Nominating Committee.
4. Roots, Shoots and Fruits/BFM Retreat led by Bob & Kathy Runyan is set for **Saturday, September 16, 2017**. We welcome suggestions for locations.
5. At our last MfB we discussed how best to maintain the spirit of worship during sharing of joys and sorrows. We have revised the care of meeting guidelines to encourage this. (see attachment).
6. A question arose about late-comers entering worship. At last MfB we clarified that late comers may wait outside and come in with the greeter or may go in quietly right away, but we discovered that Greeter guidelines were not clear on this. M&C has revised Guidelines for BFM Greeter to clarify this. We also recommend that we place a sign on the door when Worship has begin. "Welcome. Meeting has started. Please enter quietly. If someone is speaking, please wait until the speaker has finished before taking a seat."
7. Ministry and Counsel reaffirms (or affirms) the practice of switching the May potluck to the second Sunday and Meeting for Business to the first Sunday to accommodate Mother's Day.
8. Second Hours dates and topics & OWC requested dates and topics:
April 2-- Potluck + OWC activity
April 9--MFWFB
April 16--"The Day Called 'Easter'"—Children's activity/egg hunt during MFW
April 23--Quarterly Meeting--no second hour
April 30 --Don Goldstein on the Eclipse of August 21
9. **May 7 -- Meeting for Worship for Business**
May 14 -- Potluck
May 21-- Allen Stockbridge on "The work of national and international Quaker organizations
10. May 28-- no second hour (Memorial Day Weekend)
11. Date for transition clerk supper: Thursday, May 18, 2017 5:30 p.m. at Larry's (carpooling encouraged).
12. Next M&C meeting: Thursday, May 4, 2017 at John's.

State of Society, Bellingham Friends Meeting, 2017

Bellingham Friends Meeting is managing with agility and creativity, and Meeting attendance is growing. Outreach and Welcoming Committee reported weekly adult and children attendance averages increased by 6% from last year.

Several operating changes occurred during the year. Lopez became an independent Meeting, no longer under our care. The Outreach and Welcoming Group became a committee of its own, no longer within M&C. Production of *Metamorphosis*, our hard copy newsletter, was laid down, with the continuation of our E-news newsletter, which has been a big success. Explorations Academy, the location where we currently meet, underwent a significant remodel. A document regarding clarification of our process of decision making and working with committees, after several years of development and seasoning, was accepted and approved because members had expressed concern about improving clarity of decision making.

Many activities and ongoing events continue to deepen our community, including: second hours on spiritual journeys; mid-week worship; monthly Spirit group, monthly Earthcare group, a retreat in June, an overnight camping trip in September. Friends continue to participate in community activities and Quaker groups: FCNL, QEW, Quaker Voice (formally FCWPP), Pendle Hill, FGC, as well as locally interfaith events.

Two Meeting outreach committees were very active. Outreach and Welcoming Committee brought and shared literature at three public city-wide events, and sponsored second-hours on examining "Quaker Ways", the testimonies, discernment, and diversity among Friends.

The Social and Environmental Concerns Committee (SEC) experienced several changes in its composition, yet continued to actively and effectively nurture Friends' collective and individual witness to the wider world. SEC encouraged Friends' participation at numerous events promoting peace and understanding as well as gender, LGBTQA, racial, environmental, economic, and social justice. SEC's presentations for 'concerns of the month' and legislative issues facilitated Friends' civic witness and enhanced support for local groups working in harmony with Quaker testimonies.

Under the leadership of the Finance Committee, BFM once again met its budget. Saved funds, most set aside for a Meetinghouse, have grown substantially through investment with Friends Fiduciary Funds.

A pleasing development during the year was the reinvigoration of the children's program under the stewardship of the Children's Program Committee. The increased level of organization and member participation coincided with an increase in the number of children attending. This was a great joy to Bellingham Friends.

While our Meeting remains strong, the location for worship is an ongoing unresolved issue. Unity about renting, building, buying hasn't been reached. Clarity about a way forward is being discerned. Recent steps include discussion of and seasoning of the Meetinghouse scout job description and of a scouting committee vs. an individual.

As our Meeting grows, it struggles on occasion with communicating with loving care. Feelings have been hurt and trust challenged. M&C brought its attention to assist the healing and in increased listening with spirit and respect and not personalizing conflicts. There was an uncomfortable situation, but we knew it was not unprecedented, and while unfortunate, Friends understood there was an opportunity for learning how to listen better and to bring spirit more in our communications. BFM continues as a strong community and grows deeper every year.

Social and Environmental Concerns Committee
Report to Meeting for Worship for Business
April 9, 2017

Information items:

- April Concern of the Month: Migrant Leaders Club in Mount Vernon
SEC thanks Friends for their engaged participation in the March 26th second hour focused on the short film, *Every Row a Path*. As a follow up to that, we have chosen the Migrant Leaders Club, featured in the film, as our April Concern of the Month. The club is comprised of “middle and high school migrant students who want to educate others about what it’s like to walk in our shoes.” The group works to bring visibility to the experiences of its members and to support those members in realizing their potential and their goals and dreams.
- Advance invitation/save the date:
On Thursday, May 18 at 7pm, SEC will be hosting a film event and discussion at Judy and Dave Hopkinson’s home. The film, *On a Wing and a Prayer*, follows a Bellingham Muslim man, Monem Salam, who wants to learn to fly an airplane. After 9/11, he enrolls in an open-minded flying school, where he soon draws the attention of the FBI, which confirms his family's fears. The film is illuminating, charming, and at times funny. Please join us.
- Next meeting: Monday, May 8th 3pm at Judy’s house

Proposed List of Bellingham Friends Officers & Committees for 2017-2018

Terms end on April 30 of year shown unless indicated otherwise.

Non-Committee Positions:

Clerk	<i>John Hatten</i>	2018
Associate Clerk	(vacancy)	
Recording Clerk	Judy Hopkinson	2018
Treasurer	<i>Joanne Cowan</i>	2018
Assistant Treasurer	(vacancy)	
Interfaith Coalition	Sharon Trent	2018
Librarian	Rachel Van Boven	2018
Hospitality Coordinator	<i>Mark Hersh</i>	2019
Archivist	(vacancy)	
Meetinghouse liaison	<i>Dave Hopkinson</i>	2019
Meetinghouse scout	Allen Stockbridge	2019
NPYM Coordinating Committee		
	<i>Alice Robb</i>	Sept 2018
PNQM Continuing Committee		
	Don Goldstein	July 2018
FCNL rep.	Karen Steen	2018
QEW rep.	Mary Ann Percy	2018
FGC rep.	Don Goldstein	2018
Western Friend	<i>Joanne Cowan</i>	2019
AFSC rep.	Lorina Hall	2018
Native American rep.	(vacancy)	
Key holders	<i>Dusty Andersen</i>	2019
	<i>Wendy Goldstein</i>	2018
	Sharon Trent	2019
	Karen Steen	2018
Website manager	John Hatten	2018
E-news editor	<i>Judy Hopkinson</i>	2019
Phone messages	<i>Don Goldstein</i>	2019
Directory manager	Don Goldstein	2018
Mail collector	<i>Joanne Cowan</i>	2019

Committees:

Ministry and Counsel

Mary Ann Percy, co-clerk	2018
Susan Richardson, co-clerk	2018
<i>John Hatten (ex officio)</i>	2018
Larry Thompson	2018

Children's Program

Virginia Herrick, clerk	2018
Aurora Fox	2018
Kristen McLewin	2018
Jessica Bee	2019

Finance

<i>Allan Richardson, clerk</i>	2018
<i>Joanne Cowan (ex officio)</i>	2018
Larry Thompson	2018
Laura Howrey	2018

Nominating

Joanne Cowan, clerk	May 2019
Kristen McLewin	May 2017
Don Goldstein	May 2018
(vacancy)	May 2018
<i>Dusty Andersen</i>	May 2019

Outreach and Welcoming

<i>Don Goldstein, clerk</i>	2019
<i>Dusty Andersen</i>	2018
Lynne Lohr	2018
<i>Don Reinke</i>	2019

Social and Environmental Concerns

<i>Judy Hopkinson</i>	2019
Joan Oftness	2018
Nan Macy, clerk	2018
Don Lotze	2019

FGC Gathering Sponsored

Attender: Lynne Lohr Sept. 2017

Legend and note:

Italics = nominations, re-nominations, job titles, or terms needing Meeting approval in April 2017

Highlight = Nominations being presented for the first time in April 2017

If an Associate Clerk is nominated and approved, that Friend will become a member of the Ministry and Counsel Committee, ex officio

Updated 4/5/17

VERSION #3

CURRENT ISSUES RELATED TO A FUTURE MEETINGHOUSE FOR BELLINGHAM FRIENDS MEETING

MARCH 27, 2017

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE:

Since 2015 the Bellingham Friends Meeting (BFM) has devoted considerable energy to questions related to where its worship and other activities should be conducted. In 2015, the Meeting seriously considered purchase of the Bell Tower Building as a new home, ultimately discerning that that such purpose was unlikely to achieve unity among Meeting members and attendees.

The purpose of this present document is to coherently summarize BFM activities, discernments where they exist, and work in progress since The Bell Tower discernment process up to the date of this writing. In doing this, the hope is to create a background report for ongoing use. A second purpose is to provide a foundation for use by BFM as it continues to find the Light around its questions of a Meetinghouse home.

TIME LINE

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| January 2016 | BFM offer for purchase of Bell Tower Building expires, formally ending consideration of this offer |
| Spring/ Summer/ fall 2016 | Meeting sponsors several Meeting wide activities designed to allow for reconciliation and healing following the Bell Tower process |
| Summer 2016 | Retreat at St Paul's Church is attended by more than 35 Friends who consider the question of future meetinghouse needs |
| Fall 2016 | Committee clerked by Virginia Herrick provides report to M & C about their process and findings including results from the St Paul's retreat. A key finding is that the Committee came to believe that there is BFM unity of desire to move to a new location for the Meeting. Criteria to describe such a location are not yet available. |
| October 2016 | BFM hosts second hour for 2 purposes: (a) to test whether the Meeting is in unity about moving to a new location. And (b) to develop criteria that future Meeting scouts might use in a search for a new rental location. At this meeting (which WAS NOT a M4W4B and therefore advisory only) there was a sense of unity around moving. Regarding criteria, Friends considered a lengthy list of rental criteria developed for discussion by Allen and Larry. Ultimately, advice was (a) use the criteria as advisory only/ "we'll know it when we see it", and (b) the longer list was pared down to 6 "top" criteria. The third sense to arise from this second hour was "BFM wishes to continue to explore thoughts and feelings about buying, owning or building a Meetinghouse." |

- November/ December 2016 A small group of Friends, with Dave Hopkinson writing a memo to M & C, meets and suggests that BFM consider the option of purchasing land on which BFM may later “purpose-build” its Meetinghouse. This idea was subsequently reviewed at a business meeting and the sense of the meeting was to add this as another idea for scouts to consider.
- November/ December 2016 Nan Macy drafted a job description for Meetinghouse scout. This was reviewed and “tweaked” by M & C. Subsequently, the job description was accepted for seasoning (but as of this date not finally accepted) at a M4W4B in December
- January 8, 2017 M4W4B discussed process issues related to a new Meetinghouse including how to keep members informed about the location prospects. An ad hoc Committee (Stockbridge, Hopkinson, Thompson) was asked to consider and make a recommendation as to whether the entire meetinghouse process should be guided by a committee.
- Mid-January 2017 Ad hoc Committee recommends using a Committee and discusses roles, process, and composition for such a committee
- March 27, 2017 Renaatl and land purchase criteria, as revised, are accepted for seasoning at M4W4B (attachments 1 & 2)

STATUS OF MEETINGHOUSE ACTIVITY AS OF FEBRUARY 18, 2017

The points below summarize the sense of the Meeting as of this writing on key dimensions of the Meetinghouse question:

1. Decision to move: There is a sense of the Meeting that moving from Explorations is desirable provided that a suitable new location can be located by scouts and agreed upon by Meeting.
2. Meetinghouse Criteria: We need to have two sets of criteria for use by the scouts—(a) criteria for a new rental, and (b) criteria for land to purchase. The first criteria set exists in draft (see attachment #1) but needs one more final review in a M4W4B. A set of criteria for land purchase has been drafted (see attachment #2) but has had no meeting-wide review to date. This also needs scheduling at M4W4B.
3. Scout Job description: A draft job description has been accepted for seasoning but not yet finally agreed upon. The job description (see attachment #3) needs one more tweak and review, then to also return to M4W4B.
4. Committee Charter: There is a recommendation for a committee (see attachment #4) which has not been initially reviewed by Meeting or endorsed by M4W4B.
5. Appointment of Scouts and Committee: Nominees remain to be selected and appointed.

ATTACHMENT #1

MEETING CRITERIA FOR A RENTAL LOCATION

Purpose of these criteria

These criteria are intended to provide some guidance to scouts as they search for a suitable location for BFM. They are not intended to replace the judgement of the scouts or others who may, based on their experience suggest a location not necessarily meeting all these criteria. “If you see it, you may just know.” The criteria are intended and do reflect discussions in the broader BFM Meeting. Criteria are hoped to be useful for scouts in narrowing choices among many prospective locations.

KEY CRITERIA

1. Seating for 50+ people
2. Space available Sundays between 9AM and 2PM
3. Kitchen and seating area which may also be used for children’s program. Otherwise, dedicated space is needed for Children’s program
4. On or close to centrally located bus stop
5. Maximum outlay of Meeting funds for rent and utilities: \$1,000/ month (allowing for the possibility of subletting our rental space in one way or another, if only for public meetings during the week or in evenings).
6. Accessible “for people with mobility-related issues”

ATTACHMENT #2

CRITERIA FOR PURCHASE OF RAW LAND FOR BFM

Purpose of these criteria

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KEY CRITERIA FOR RAW LAND PURCHASE

1. Land is accessible to public transit (special attention to Sunday schedule)
2. Lot is large enough to allow for construction as well as outdoor space for play and other uses. Play space/ outdoor space may include access to nearby usable facilities such as a public park.
3. Cost of the land is less than \$200,000
4. Lot is buildable (proper zoning and suitable site)
5. The site and streets nearby allow for conveniently parking up to 25 vehicles

6. Adding access to water, sewer, and power is feasible at a reasonable cost.
7. Prefer location within 4 miles of downtown Bellingham

ATTACHMENT #3

JOB DESCRIPTION FOR BFM MEETINGHOUSE SCOUTS

Purpose:

These positions are needed for as long as the Meeting is without a permanent home and whenever changes within the Meeting suggest that a new home would benefit the health and wellbeing of the Meeting. The Meetinghouse scouts are charged with finding space for the Meeting whether rented, leased to own, raw land for future building, purchased as an existing building, or donated. The Meeting will have at least one scout but will generally have 2 or possibly 3.

Description:

The Meeting is responsible for providing scouts with general oversight and guidance and will provide criteria, reviewed by all interested persons in the Meeting, which are intended to generally guide the scouts as they search for a suitable location. Criteria may change as members and attenders change, and the Meeting is responsible for communicating changes to the scouts.

Because of the importance of their mission, and because of the challenges of finding a Meetinghouse that sufficiently meets our needs, if, in the opinion of a Meetinghouse scout, a location is found that might be an interesting option for the Meeting to consider even though it doesn't meet minimum criteria, the Scout is welcome to suggest to the Meetinghouse Committee, and the Meetinghouse Committee to the full Meeting, that location.

Specific Responsibilities:

1. Keep a lookout for the types of properties for which the meeting is currently searching (rental or raw land purchase as of 2/17).
2. Keep a record of all properties which were visited and could possibly be suitable
3. Elicit and welcome input from members, attenders, and others in the community about Meetinghouse possibilities.

4. Be willing to serve on or meet as necessary with the Meetinghouse Committee in order to further the goal of locating a suitable property for the Meeting. Provide records of properties evaluated to the Committee.
5. Be aware of Meeting's current location criteria and evaluate all potential properties at least in light of these criteria.

ATTACHMENT #4

CHARTER FOR THE BFM MEETINGHOUSE COMMITTEE

Purpose:

For as long as the BFM Members shall desire, this Committee will oversee and coordinate matters pertaining to the Meeting's physical location and shall do so under the guidance of the entire Meeting. This includes liaison with the Meeting's landlord (through the Meetinghouse liaison), location of new properties which the Meeting may choose to explore for its use, discussion of the suitability of proposed new locations, and detailed evaluations of such locations. The Committee serves as a conduit between scouts and the Monthly Meeting and is intended to keep the Meeting as a whole well apprised of progress in achieving its mission.

Composition:

The Meetinghouse Committee will include at least 3 persons and at a minimum include at least:

- The person responsible for liaison with any landlord
- At least one of the scouts and may include all scouts
- An at-large individual appointed by the Meeting

The Meetinghouse Committee will generally add additional ad hoc members with expertise in fields such as real estate, property management, finance, business, law and other relevant disciplines if the Meeting determines that it wishes to have a detailed evaluation of a particular prospect property.

The members of the Meetinghouse Committee will be nominated by the Nominating Committee and shall be accepted at a scheduled M4W4B.

Specific Duties:

1. Keep the Meeting informed of progress in obtaining suitable properties by providing a report at each monthly business meeting.

2. Serve as a place for detailed discussion of any facility related matters that may pertain to BFM.
3. Provide a source for coordination among scouts and a venue for all scouts and committee members to share ideas about properties and discuss their suitability.
4. Oversee relations with any existing landlord
5. In the event of property ownership, assure smooth operation of same under the general direction of Meeting.
6. As described above under composition, the Committee may be expanded from time to time by adding ad hoc members to assist with evaluation of specific properties.

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Bellingham Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends
Statement of Financial Activity 2017
YTD 2017

	Jan - Mar 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
4000 · All Contributions			
4010 · Contributions by Check	1,710.00	16,846.00	-15,136.00
4015 · Contributions by Cash	263.00	400.00	-137.00
4018 · Contributions in Kind	114.09	450.00	-335.91
Total 4000 · All Contributions	<u>2,087.09</u>	<u>17,696.00</u>	<u>-15,608.91</u>
Total Income	2,087.09	17,696.00	-15,608.91
Expense			
5000 · Finance Committee			
5010 · Bank Charges/Fines/Penalties	22.00	0.00	22.00
5011 · State Filing Fee	0.00	10.00	-10.00
5020 · Equipment	0.00	50.00	-50.00
5030 · Liability Insurance	0.00	575.00	-575.00
5040 · Rent	1,800.00	7,200.00	-5,400.00
5060 · Supplies, Postage and Copying	0.00	30.00	-30.00
5070 · Quarterly Meeting Assessment	0.00	90.00	-90.00
5080 · Yearly Meeting Assessment	0.00	2,760.00	-2,760.00
Total 5000 · Finance Committee	<u>1,822.00</u>	<u>10,715.00</u>	<u>-8,893.00</u>
5600 · Children's Program			
5630 · First Day Support	326.25	2,000.00	-1,673.75
5650 · Supplies and Materials	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Total 5600 · Children's Program	<u>326.25</u>	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>-2,173.75</u>
5700 · Communications			
5710 · Advertising	0.00	70.00	-70.00
5720 · Directory	0.00	60.00	-60.00
5740 · P.O. Box	90.00	86.00	4.00
5750 · Website/Other	0.00	50.00	-50.00
Total 5700 · Communications	<u>90.00</u>	<u>266.00</u>	<u>-176.00</u>
6000 · Ministry and Counsel			
6030 · Gifts	0.00	50.00	-50.00
6040 · Pamphlets and Subscriptions	0.00	125.00	-125.00
6060 · Retreats and Special Events	0.00	600.00	-600.00
Total 6000 · Ministry and Counsel	<u>0.00</u>	<u>775.00</u>	<u>-775.00</u>
6500 · Other Committees			
6510 · Hospitality	114.09	450.00	-335.91
6520 · Library	0.00	150.00	-150.00
6540 · Social and Environmental Crns	0.00	50.00	-50.00
6550 · Outreach and Welcoming	0.00	250.00	-250.00
6555 · Ad Hoc Committee	0.00	50.00	-50.00
Total 6500 · Other Committees	<u>114.09</u>	<u>950.00</u>	<u>-835.91</u>
6600 · Outreach and Support			
6610 · AFSC	165.00	165.00	0.00
6611 · FCNL	150.00	150.00	0.00
6612 · Quaker Voice	150.00	150.00	0.00
6613 · FGC	0.00	100.00	-100.00
6614 · Interfaith Coalition	0.00	125.00	-125.00
6617 · FWCC	0.00	125.00	-125.00
6618 · Quaker Earthcare Witness	-125.00	125.00	-250.00
6620 · Right Sharing of World Resource	0.00	125.00	-125.00
6630 · Whatcom Peace and Justice	300.00	1,200.00	-900.00
6640 · WA Coltn to Abolish Death Pnlty	0.00	75.00	-75.00

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Bellingham Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends
Statement of Financial Position
As of March 31, 2017

	Mar 31, 17	Mar 31, 16	\$ Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
1010 · WECU Checking	4,993.30	6,961.46	-1,968.16
1020 · WECU Savings	10,603.10	10,539.69	63.41
Total Checking/Savings	<u>15,596.40</u>	<u>17,501.15</u>	<u>-1,904.75</u>
Total Current Assets	15,596.40	17,501.15	-1,904.75
Other Assets			
1800 · Marketable Securities			
1810 · Friends Fiduciary	165,345.56	149,232.02	16,113.54
1820 · Scottrade	29,629.71	25,265.48	4,364.23
Total 1800 · Marketable Securities	<u>194,975.27</u>	<u>174,497.50</u>	<u>20,477.77</u>
Total Other Assets	<u>194,975.27</u>	<u>174,497.50</u>	<u>20,477.77</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>210,571.67</u>	<u>191,998.65</u>	<u>18,573.02</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Equity			
3100 · Permanently Restricted			
3110 · Meeting House Funds	88,588.63	88,053.63	535.00
3120 · Gathering Sponsorship	44,922.81	45,756.21	-833.40
Total 3100 · Permanently Restricted	<u>133,511.44</u>	<u>133,809.84</u>	<u>-298.40</u>
3200 · Temporarily Restricted			
3260 · Mutual Aid	10,215.05	10,215.05	0.00
3270 · Quaker Activity	8,574.54	9,212.04	-637.50
3280 · Meeting House	27,558.48	27,558.48	0.00
Total 3200 · Temporarily Restricted	<u>46,348.07</u>	<u>46,985.57</u>	<u>-637.50</u>
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	24,485.06	556.74	23,928.32
3500 · Unrestricted Assets	0.00	11,613.88	-11,613.88
Net Income	6,227.10	-967.38	7,194.48
Total Equity	<u>210,571.67</u>	<u>191,998.65</u>	<u>18,573.02</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>210,571.67</u>	<u>191,998.65</u>	<u>18,573.02</u>

	<u>Jan - Mar 17</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>
6650 · W. WA FOR	0.00	50.00	-50.00
6690 · Belllghm Human Rights Festival	100.00	100.00	0.00
Total 6600 · Outreach and Support	<u>740.00</u>	<u>2,490.00</u>	<u>-1,750.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>3,092.34</u>	<u>17,696.00</u>	<u>-14,603.66</u>
Net Ordinary Income	-1,005.25	0.00	-1,005.25
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
4020 · Interest	13.06		
4060 · Change in Asset Value			
4061 · FFC General Savings	2,740.83		
4062 · FFC Gathering Fund	758.10		
4063 · FFC Meeting House	2,207.34		
4065 · Scottrade	1,513.02		
Total 4060 · Change in Asset Value	<u>7,219.29</u>		
Total Other Income	<u>7,232.35</u>		
Net Other Income	<u>7,232.35</u>		
Net Income	<u><u>6,227.10</u></u>	<u><u>0.00</u></u>	<u><u>6,227.10</u></u>

	<u>% of Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4000 · All Contributions	
4010 · Contributions by Check	10.2%
4015 · Contributions by Cash	65.8%
4018 · Contributions in Kind	25.4%
Total 4000 · All Contributions	<u>11.8%</u>
Total Income	11.8%
Expense	
5000 · Finance Committee	
5010 · Bank Charges/Fines/Penalties	100.0%
5011 · State Filing Fee	0.0%
5020 · Equipment	0.0%
5030 · Liability Insurance	0.0%
5040 · Rent	25.0%
5060 · Supplies, Postage and Copying	0.0%
5070 · Quarterly Meeting Assessment	0.0%
5080 · Yearly Meeting Assessment	0.0%
Total 5000 · Finance Committee	<u>17.0%</u>
5600 · Children's Program	
5630 · First Day Support	16.3%
5650 · Supplies and Materials	0.0%
Total 5600 · Children's Program	<u>13.1%</u>
5700 · Communications	
5710 · Advertising	0.0%
5720 · Directory	0.0%
5740 · P.O. Box	104.7%
5750 · Website/Other	0.0%
Total 5700 · Communications	<u>33.8%</u>
6000 · Ministry and Counsel	
6030 · Gifts	0.0%
6040 · Pamphlets and Subscriptions	0.0%
6060 · Retreats and Special Events	0.0%
Total 6000 · Ministry and Counsel	<u>0.0%</u>
6500 · Other Committees	
6510 · Hospitality	25.4%
6520 · Library	0.0%
6540 · Social and Environmental Crns	0.0%
6550 · Outreach and Welcoming	0.0%
6555 · Ad Hoc Committee	0.0%
Total 6500 · Other Committees	<u>12.0%</u>
6600 · Outreach and Support	
6610 · AFSC	100.0%
6611 · FCNL	100.0%
6612 · Quaker Voice	100.0%
6613 · FGC	0.0%
6614 · Interfaith Coalition	0.0%
6617 · FWCC	0.0%
6618 · Quaker Earthcare Witness	-100.0%
6620 · Right Sharing of World Resource	0.0%
6630 · Whatcom Peace and Justice	25.0%
6640 · WA Coltn to Abolsh Death Pnlty	0.0%

	<u>% of Budget</u>
6650 · W. WA FOR	0.0%
6690 · Belllghm Human Rights Festival	100.0%
Total 6600 · Outreach and Support	<u>29.7%</u>
Total Expense	<u>17.5%</u>
Net Ordinary Income	100.0%
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
4020 · Interest	
4060 · Change in Asset Value	
4061 · FFC General Savings	
4062 · FFC Gathering Fund	
4063 · FFC Meeting House	
4065 · Scottrade	
Total 4060 · Change in Asset Value	
Total Other Income	
Net Other Income	
Net Income	<u><u>100.0%</u></u>

CARE OF MEETING GUIDELINES

Thank you for being in care of Meeting for worship today. While we all share responsibility for coming to worship prepared and holding our Meeting in the Light, today you have taken the spiritual responsibility of being particularly attentive. We ask that you arrive about 10 minutes early to settle in by example, and also ask that you close worship and facilitate sharing at the rise of worship. Feel free to use your own words, but below are some examples.

Please close worship about 11:00 (when you sense the worship coming to a close) by starting a handshake around the room. We like to try to include children in the last few minutes of worship. If children have not arrived yet, open the door for them (or ask another Friend to do so), so they know rise of meeting has occurred.

Joys and Sorrows. After shaking hands with your neighbors and waiting a moment for the handshake to travel around the room, please rise and offer some form of the following invitation: *“Welcome, Friends. Continuing in the spirit of worship, we like to take a few minutes now to invite you to [hold worshipful space while we] share any joys and sorrows you may have, or to ask Friends to hold you or someone else in the Light. We will introduce ourselves and share announcements a little later.”*

Introductions. You may be seated for joys and sorrows, or remain standing if you like. When you feel there has been enough time, you may stand and say something like,

“Thank you, Friends. My name is _____ and I am in care of meeting today. It is our custom to go around the room and introduce ourselves, [and if there's time] and share any afterthoughts that did not rise to the level of vocal ministry. [We try to keep introductions brief on Business Meeting Sundays particularly.]

“If you are new to Meeting or returning after a long absence, please share a little about how you came to be here this morning.”

Guests. *“Welcome to any guests; please sign our guest book on the table and fill out a Welcome Card if you would like to receive our weekly electronic newsletter or other information.”*

Donations and Sign-ups. *“We have a donation box on the table. Please take a look at the sign-up sheet being passed around to help with the meeting.”*

Children. *“What did the children do today?”*

Children’s departure: *“The children may leave for snack.”*

Announcements. *“Please be brief. Use the calendar to indicate the date and time of events.”*

Second hour. Ask: *“What is today’s second hour?”*

Snack. *“Thank you to whoever brought snacks. Remember to clean your own cup. We always need volunteers to stay and help with clean-up.”*