

**New York Quarterly Meeting, Religious Society of Friends
Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business
@Brooklyn Meeting, Brooklyn
hosted by Brooklyn Meeting and Staten Island Meeting
19th day, first month, 2020
1-5 pm**

**AGENDA
NYQM Year of Jubilee**

****Attendance: please sign in on the circulating sheets***

READING

Agenda review

Brooklyn Meeting and Staten Island Meeting introductory interactive activity for all

Nominating Committee: request for release

From: Wade Black <wnblack@gmail.com>

Date: January 13, 2020 at 7:25:56 AM PST

To: Elizabeth Powers <powers.elizabeth.m.quaker@gmail.com>, Katherine Alford <katheralford@gmail.com>

Subject: Request for release from service on Trustees

Elizabeth and Katherine:

As I communicated to Katherine, my personal life has made attending Trustees meetings and subcommittee meetings very difficult this year with my increased childcare responsibilities and career difficulties.

As Katherine can attest, I have missed a number of meetings so far this year as they line up with the weeks I have my kids, and I don't have any backup for childcare those nights. Therefore I respectfully request release from the Trustees so someone who can better serve can replace me.

In Friendship,

Wade Black

Handbook Committee-updated version for consent approval; posted on-line

Audit and Budget report

Audit and Budget proposed budget

Announcements:

*NYQM had a rich potluck tradition that some fear has faded away. Help renew this and other beloved traditions of our community as we celebrate Jubilee.

Wednesday January 22, 2019 at 6:30pm, 15th St. Friends Seminary Cafeteria. Make, bake, or buy your favorite potluck dish for a Meeting for Eating. We will have the opportunity to share and hear stories and experiences of welcome.

*Members of Brooklyn Meeting wish to invite Friends in the Quarter to a community meeting with worship and sharing about our concerns for the Friends' schools. This is an opportunity to gather support and Light for Marna Herrity who was suddenly terminated from Brooklyn Friends School late this fall after over three decades of service to that institution. We will gather in the Brooklyn Meeting Room at a date to be announced by Marna's Support Committee. At the rise of the meeting, we will share some light refreshments.

***Thursday, January 23, 7pm**

Friends Meetinghouse, 15 Rutherford Place, enter at 222 East 16th St. suggested donation: \$25 all proceeds go to the Friends Shelter, Bob Rosen artistic director. The Meetinghouse Jazz Orchestra, a 17 piece jazz ensemble of NYC professional musicians, performing original works of music with Liev Schreiber ('84) reciting the words of former 15th St. Meeting Member, Bayard Rustin in honor of Dr. King, in an interactive piece with musicians. Original piece written by Chris Fisher-Lochhead ('02) and Student musicians and singers from "Little Big Horn" will open the concert.

*Brooklyn Meeting has an open **mid-week worship** every **Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30**. All are welcome!

BREAK

Relief Committee annual report

Downtown Allowed Meeting annual report: **LAI D O V E R U N T I L A P R I L**

Ministry and Counsel brings the following minute:

Minute 1.6.2020.7: NYQM Committee on Ministry and Counsel approves the use of \$19,200 of the Concern for Quaker Living Subcommittee's earmarked donation to finance a needs assessment and other community engagement with the help of social work students as described in the attached documents. Supported by the consultant's report, we approve the plan to move forward in discussions with the Columbia School of Social Work in February 2020, and the project will commence in September 2020.

Four documents are posted on-line relating to this minute:

1. CQL update & funding request
2. 20191118105448273 final and signed report
3. CQL Needs Assessment Working Time Line
4. NYQM budget for intern program 12-10-19

Consent slate for monthly meeting quarterly reports - action items from monthly meetings will be read.

- *Brooklyn Monthly Meeting Report
 - *Flushing Monthly Meeting Report
 - Fifteenth Street Monthly Meeting Report
 - Manhattan Monthly Meeting Report
 - *Morningside Monthly Meeting Report
 - *Staten Island Meeting Report
- *received and posted on-line***

Communications Committee group activity: As part of the New York Quarterly Meeting's Jubilee Year, the Communications Committee is holding a workshop on the occasion of the January 19 Quarterly Meeting in Brooklyn! Please come! Bring your thoughts and questions!

****The Communications Committee wants to hear from you about how we can support connections among Quakers:***

- Website***
- Message-sharing***
- Database***

****How can Communications make it easier to be a Friend?***

Worship sharing; reflections on our Year of Jubilee to date

Close of meeting

A reminder...

2020 NYQM dates:

January 19th: Brooklyn Friends & Staten Island Meetings at Brooklyn Meetinghouse, Brooklyn

April 19th: Fifteenth St. & Manhattan Meetings at Friends Meetinghouse, Manhattan

July 18th: Saturday, Quaker Cemetery, Prospect Park, Brooklyn (concluding our Year of Jubilee)

October 18th: Flushing Monthly Meeting, Flushing

2021 NYQM dates:

January 17th: Brooklyn Friends Meeting, Brooklyn

April 18th: Fifteenth Street Meeting, Manhattan

July 17th: Saturday, Quaker Cemetery, Prospect Park, Brooklyn

October 17th: Morningside Monthly Meeting, Manhattan