



**Agenda for Western Quarterly Meeting on 08 December 2019  
at Kennett Friends Meeting, 3:00 pm**

1. Silent Worship – Updates from Monthly Meetings
2. **Approval of minutes October 2019 Meeting for Business** - posted online at WQ website
3. Approval of **minute of appreciation for Kendal MM** hosting - see at end of agenda
4. **Education grant** publicity/awareness
5. **Finance/treasurer**
6. Property Group Update
7. **Nominating/New clerk**
8. **Coordinator report** - gathering with Quarter clerks and coordinators
9. Update on January QM; looking ahead to April

**Program ideas** - Better Angels, Non Violent Communication, AVP skills practice, Compassionate Listening Circles - several Monthly Meetings in Western Quarter and the area have had or considered programs featuring skill work in these programs; shall we offer one at a QM or other setting?

10. **Bucks Quarter Request** -- see after proposed minute for Kendal
11. **PYM Committee of 14 homework**
12. **Executive Session**
13. **Next Meeting March 8, 2020**

Supporting Materials

**Proposed minute of appreciation for Kendal - additions and suggestions welcome**

Western Quarterly Meeting minutes appreciation for Kendal Monthly Meeting's hosting of our October 19, 2019 Quarterly Meeting at Kendal at Longwood. It was a delight to be greeted by Kendal Friends and have coffee, tea, fruit, and baked goods on hand. Several Kendal Meeting members led us in a reflection and sharing

of our own spiritual journeys using a photograph that spoke to each of us. The pictures spurred deep conversations in the small groups we had formed, and left us primed for worship. Several Friends shared stirring messages that wove together threads raised in the smaller groups. We enjoyed a delicious hot meal and salad bar that Kendal dining services prepared. The business session was well attended and much was accomplished.

### **Bucks Quarter Request of the Yearly Meeting**

September 10, 2019

Christopher A. Lucca  
Presiding Clerk Philadelphia Yearly Meeting  
1515 Cherry Street  
Philadelphia, PA

Dear Chris,

Bucks Quarterly Meeting recently conducted meeting for worship with attention to business at Fallsington Friends Meeting in Fallsington, Pennsylvania. During this meeting, which took place on August 18, 2019, Friends approved the following minute:

Bucks Quarterly Meeting supports a Friends-led national protest against the private sale and possession of assault-style rifles and large-capacity gun magazines in the United States. This is rightly ordered and in alignment with our peace testimony, or opposition to physical violence, and with our support of efforts to reduce and eliminate armaments and militarism in our society. The protest should take place in our nation's capital at the earliest possible date that a well-organized one can be launched.

Friends of the Quarter also asked that the Quarter communicate its approval of this minute to Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, and that the Quarter request that Yearly Meeting assume responsibility for coordinating efforts with the appropriate local, national, and international organizations to achieve the Friends-led national protest proposed by Bucks Quarter in its minute.

This letter to you is of course my way of fulfilling the Quarter's request to make Yearly Meeting aware of the Quarter's minute and its request for Yearly Meeting

action in regard to it. I hope the Yearly Meeting will give serious consideration to the minute and request for action, and I am happy to answer any questions you or others at Yearly Meeting may have in regard to them.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration of this matter.

Yours, Boris Simkovich

Acting Clerk, Bucks Quarterly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends

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