

The Support Committee of Western Quarterly Meeting was held March 10, 2024 via Zoom. Present were Quarter Clerk Margaret Walton, Co-ordinator Deb Wood, Dick Logan (Hockessin), Mark Myers (London Grove), Shelley Hastings (Newark), Kathy Kirk (West Grove), Pownall Jones (New Garden), Dave Nuttall, and Mary Sproat (West Grove). Regrets were received from Nancy Pratt (New Garden), Dave Park (Kennett), Judy Hinds (Kendal), and Ariana Langford (Newark).

The meeting opened with a period of worship.

**Nominating Committee:** A Recording Clerk is still needed for Quarterly Meeting business sessions. Friends were asked to seek a nominee in their Meetings.

**Education Grants:** Applications have been received from three members of a London Grove family. The Committee consisting of Karen Halstead and Shelley Hastings will consider them.

**April Quarterly Meeting:** Margaret was asked to read a story during the ten o'clock Meeting for Worship, then ask some "I wonder..." questions to evoke artistic or vocal answers of the children and adults present. The schedule for the day will be

10:00 Meeting for Worship  
11:00 Meeting for Business  
12:15 to 12:45 lunch  
1:00 Program

For lunch, Friends will be asked to bring covered dishes as side dishes; the meat, dessert and beverages will be provided by West Grove. There will also be a vegetarian main dish. Paper products will be used to hasten cleanup. Someone from London Grove will be available to help with child care during the morning, and a West Grove member will do so during the afternoon program. Deb will make a flyer for Meetings giving the details of the day, and another for distribution to the public. West Grove will advertise the program to the public.

**Performance Review for Deb:** Margaret Walton and Karen Conlan will meet with Deb to do a performance review. As Deb now does more than the job description asks, it may be revised according to the question: Is the Co-ordinator doing what we want the Co-ordinator to do?

**Deficit Budget:** Because we run on a deficit budget, we need to view it more closely to determine how we can run on a balanced budget. Dick Logan offered to work with Margaret, Karen and Deb and any other volunteers to examine the issue. Dick suggested asking representatives of the Monthly Meetings for the amount they plan to budget for covenant to the Quarter and Philadelphia Yearly Meeting for the next fiscal year beginning 7/1/2024.

The meeting ended with a period of worship.

Margaret I. Walton, Clerk  
Mary M. Sproat, Recording Clerk