



Agenda - October 19 at Kendal  
and via Zoom - [WQ Zoom](#)

- 1) Query Responses to the 9th Query
- 2) Treasurer's Report
  - a) Deficit Budget updates – New Garden, Kennett
- 3) Update on California Heritage Indigenous Resource Center
- 4) Historic Properties Update -
  - a) minute to PYM - for approval - See below\*
  - b) Colora– if information received from S. Balderston
- 5) QM changes –
  - a) Host for January: we need a host or shall we Zoom?
  - b) April 20 to 27 in order to avoid Easter
- 6) PYM Nominating Council minute - For Approval

Friends approve the voluntary service of the coordinator, Deb Wood, as a representative of Western Quarterly Meeting on the Nominating Council of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting.
- 7) Western Quarter nominating need - auditor/assistant treasurer
- 8) Invitation from Kennett - Education grants
- 9) For approval - Thank you minute to West Chester and Kennett Meetings (draft at end of document)
- 10) Upcoming at Continuing Sessions
  - a) [Philadelphia Quarterly Meeting Minute - LGBTQIA](#)
  - b) [Moving PYM to carbon net zero - Threshing Session](#)
  - c) an online directory

Upcoming Meetings

Nov. 10 3pm via Zoom - Support Committee

Nov. 17 3pm via Zoom - Historic Properties



### \* For Approval

Western Quarterly Meeting seeks the assistance of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting to understand the legal and practical to-dos involved in the laying down of a meeting and the selling of meeting property.

### Background:

Western Quarter consists of 10 monthly meetings and one worship group in western Chester County, PA and New Castle County, DE. The Quarter has eight active meeting houses, six historic meeting houses, five support buildings, and eighteen burial grounds under the care of the Quarter or one of its Monthly Meetings. While we are not actively in the process of laying down a meeting or selling property, we want to be knowledgeable about the process in case circumstances change. We do expect that to care for the perpetual commitments for burial grounds under our collective care, we may need to repurpose or sell some of the properties in our care. We are not well-versed with the legal and practical to-dos of selling or repurposing the property of a religious organization, and the implications of some properties being on a variety of historic registers. We do not want to create additional challenges for Friends and neighbors by missing or misunderstanding needed steps.

We have found the *Life Cycle of Meetings* work of Emily Provance of great help in the spiritual side of this work.

### Thank you minute

Western Quarterly Meeting expresses deep gratitude for the hospitality of West Chester Monthly Meeting and Kennett Monthly Meeting for hosting Western and Concord Quarterly Meetings in July 2024. Worship with the combined quarterly meetings was moving, the program by Bob Fest on talking to children about climate change was enlightening and encouraging,

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and the presentation by the children of their learning and work was inspirational. It is a blessing to hear and see their voices emerging.