



Agenda and Minutes - 14, December 2025
Support Committee (Board of Directors) of Western Quarterly Meeting
convened via Zoom at 3:00pm

Agenda

- approval of previous minutes
- approval for Parkersville Property Committee purchase of property
- Review of Handbook entry on Friends Boarding Home
- Updates from Monthly Meetings
- Next meeting 2nd Sunday in March at 3:00pm unless otherwise notified
- Closing worship

Representatives present from London Grove Monthly Meeting, West Grove Monthly Meeting, Kennett Monthly Meeting, Fallowfield Monthly Meeting, Mill Creek Monthly Meeting, Centre Monthly Meeting, Hockessin Monthly Meeting, and Western Quarterly Meeting coordinator

We opened with a period of worship.

- 1) We reviewed and approved the minutes from our 21 September 2025 meeting.
- 2) Parkersville Property Committee requests that Western Quarterly Meeting purchase the lot to the south of the Parkersville property, Parcel #64-3-22.2, address 1220 Parkersville Road, Chadds Ford, PA 19317. The lot provides a buffer and potential resource for the meetinghouse and burial ground. Funds will be provided from accounts under the oversight of the Parkersville Committee.



Friends approved the recommendation of the Parkersville Meetinghouse Committee to purchase the property adjacent to the meetinghouse on its southern side. Margaret Walton, as current clerk of Western Quarterly Meeting will sign the documents.

- 3) Friends reviewed the WQM handbook listing on Friends Boarding Home Corporation.

Discussion in our July 2025 meeting for business session arose about the extent of Western Quarterly Meeting's care relationship to Friends Boarding Home.

We reviewed the history of Friends Boarding Home the Deb gleaned from records held by Western Quarter and PA state listing of corporations.

Friends shared items from the Friends Boarding Home Handbook. It was clear to those gathering that Western Quarterly Meeting has a pastoral care relationship with Friends Boarding Home. Western Quarter values the service that Friends Home provides the community and its role in its founding in 1898, incorporation in 1901-1902, and the service of members of Western Quarter's monthly meetings on the Friends Home Board for over 100 years. We hope that we are able to support Friends Boarding Home in its efforts to provide quality care for decades to come as we continue to provide pastoral support for the Friends Home Board.

Members of the Friends Home Board will review their incorporation and handbook materials to be sure that liability for Friends Boarding Home's actions lie with Friends Boarding Home.

- 4) Mill Creek had worship this morning on this lovely snowy day. Fallowfield - our attenders list is growing. We will host "Dare to Declare" from 1-2pm on December 20th at People's Hall, 810 Doe Run Road for a

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reading of the Declaration of Independence, followed by a sing along of carols and refreshments.

Centre – Andrea Taylor, Carmelina Darrow, and Freeman Miller are rotating clerking responsibilities. This morning Friends at Centre considered what Delaware entities Centre could give monies to.

Kennett - is continuing to discern a new relationship with the East Linden neighborhood and Project. They have had study buddies and a holiday drive over the years, and now are discerning a more spiritual connection beyond annual holiday support.

And Kennett will be the location of the 18 January 2026 gathering of Western Quarterly Meeting. Newark Meeting has arranged for two programs, a storyteller and new Philadelphia Yearly Meeting General Secretary, Chris Mohr. We will have Friend tonya thames taylor on storytelling backup.

Friends appreciated the role of Kennett Meeting for hosting rapid response team training for Southern Chester County.

Hockessin- discussion continues on how the meeting can help eliminate or lessen the impacts of homelessness in Delaware. Friends suggested attending local meetings with state government representatives

We closed with a period of worship.

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Wood