

College Park Quarterly Meeting [CPQM] 251st session

May 19-12, 2023

Ben Lomond Quaker Center [BLQC] and by ZOOM

Opening Worship

PLENARY SESSION I

Clerk, Joe Magruder, invited us to begin our session.

Roll Call of Meetings

Stephen Myers, Assistant Clerk, read the list of meetings and Worship Groups. Friends in the room and on ZOOM responded audibly and with waves. 18 people on zoom, [at one count] and 35 in the Redwood Lodge.

Ministry & Oversight Committee: Ann Marie Snell

Ann Marie welcomed all and acknowledged the work of many in preparation for this meeting. She then recognized Thom McCue from their *Ad Hoc* committee.

Ad Hoc Committee on the Future of CPQM: Thom McCue, clerk

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The Committee has met twice a month since January and is looking at the status of Friends and regional gatherings. They've had nearly 100 responses to their survey and are still open to responses. The responses have been very interesting. Interest group this afternoon will also be on zoom. We are OLD, many over 65 years. They expect to report in October. They are looking at both the gathering and the organization. Gathering important for youth, especially. Care of community is a concern, pastoral care, looking at the "life cycle" of meetings.

Nominating Committee: Mary Miché, Owain Elliot Sowaal

Making FUN! They exuded the pleasure they have had working on nominations. We looked at the list on screen and will have the opportunity to approve the slate during Sunday's session. A revised report is appended to the minutes.

Mary and Owen went through the report which now includes two committees (Archives and Registrars) for jobs that were held by individuals. In response to a question, we learned that the job descriptions are on the CPQM website. The slate will come to us Sunday morning for approval.

Ben Lomond Quaker Center Report: Nico Wright director of Quaker Center

Nico addressed us as if were Quaker Center board member being briefed on “talking points” on the current situation to share with potential supporters.

1. Quaker Center is flourishing. In-person and online programs, camps and youth events, and group stays, personal retreats, and more are all busy and active.
2. The Center also continues to face significant economic and environmental challenges, including budget shortfalls, increased costs, and prolonged extreme weather.
3. Next year is the BLQC’s 75th anniversary, and Friends are asked to reflect, celebrate, and plan for the next 75 years. The celebration will include programs and public events, a fundraising campaign featuring financing a new much-needed 350 ft. deep well, and a recommitment to the Center’s core mission of nurturing the spiritual growth and faithfulness of our community.

Main take away: We nearly lost Quaker Center due to loss of income over the pandemic and costs due to fire and rain. Many helped, but there is more help needed.

CPQM Spring 2023 #1: Minutes for Plenary Session I were read and approved.

PLENARY SESSION II

Clerk, Joe Magruder, invited us to center in worship to begin our session.

Treasurer’s Report: Don Kewman and Martha Hunkins

Don Kewman, clerk of finance, reported that last year we had a \$6,000 deficit due to lower session attendance and revenue. The committee is considering

1. Raising the monthly meeting voluntary assessment.
2. Making it possible to pay by credit or debit card.

Finance Committee is meeting with the *Ad Hoc* Futures Committee to inform their process.

Martha Hunkins, treasurer, reported we had net income from Winter quarter. Spring and Fall sessions both ran deficits. This year we were more open about real costs of sessions. Expenses beyond sessions such as insurance are minimal. The full report is included at the end of these minutes.

Nominating Committee: Mary Miché and Owain Elliot Sowaal

The person named for Recording clerk is not able to serve. That position is now vacant. Everyone takes office as of June first.

CPQM Spring 2023 #2 We approved the nominating committee report given Saturday morning, with the recoding clerk position left unfilled.

Carl Magruder has agreed to serve as recording clerk. As there is no time for consideration of this nomination, it will be held over for approval at the fall quarter gathering.

Committee to Name the Nominating Committee. A new Naming Committee is needed to bring us two or three Friends to serve on our Nominating Committee. Three people have agreed to serve on the Naming Committee: Kathy Runyan, Anna Lichterman, Jan Turner
CPQM Spring 2023 #3 We accepted these Friends to serve on the Naming Committee.

Registrar's report: Eric Sabelman.

Eric shared the following information about this gathering.

- 91 preregistered for on-site plus ZOOM.
- 22 registered after 5-13-23 [We accept late registrations; we want people to attend.]
- 38 slept on site in Quaker Center rooms.
- 12 slept in tents or RVs
- 12 slept at home
- 55 arrived on site [9 were "absent"]
- 17 attended via ZOOM [8 absent]
- Total 72 arrived in person or via ZOOM
- There were 2 children, and 7 teens.
- Santa Cruz Meeting had the highest attendance.
- Absentees will be contacted as part of the evaluation process.

We are experimenting with hybrid meetings. Krista Barnard volunteered to be full time zoom host. Not all interest groups were on zoom. An attendance list will be available on request to Eric Sabelman.

Teen program:

The 7 teens prepared a great treasure hunt for us on Saturday evening, they enjoyed time together in worship, playing basketball, and hanging out.

CPQM Spring 2023 #4 Minutes for Plenary Session II were read and approved..

Sandy Farley, Recording Clerk

[Below, are the reports of the Treasurer and Nominating Committee.]

College Park Quarterly Meeting Treasurer's Report for Spring Quarter 2023			
Ben Lomond Quaker Center and hybrid 5/19 – 5/21/23			
Winter Session 2022 (on Zoom)		Winter Session 2023 "Pay as Led" (at Berkeley Meetinghouse & hybrid 1/14/2023)	
Income:		Income:	
Registration Fees	\$1,395.00	Registration Fees	\$1,681.24
		(includes donations to CPQM)	
Total income	\$1,395.00	Total income	\$1,681.24
Expenses:		Expenses:	
Guest speaker	\$ 400.00	Teen program, food	\$ 378.28
Zoom coordinator	\$ 271.00	Other food	\$ 29.32
Total expenses	\$ 671.00	Total expenses	\$ 407.60
	Net: \$ 724.00		Net: \$1,273.64
Cash Flow 1/1/23 to 5/08/23			
General Fund Beginning Balance on 1/1/23	\$19,718.76	K-12 Scholarship beginning balance	\$3,813.00
Winter Quarter 2023 income	\$1,681.24	Donations 2023 to date	
Spring Quarter 2023 income, to 5/08/23	\$2,322.00	Disbursements	
Meet	\$1,500.00		
Student Scholarship Fund donations			
Income subtotal	\$5,503.24	K-12 Scholarship ending balance	\$3,813.00
Winter 2023 session expenses	\$ 407.60	Bank Balance	
Insurance	\$ 300.00	General Fund on 5/8/23	\$22,274.47
Children's Program Zoom Acct	\$ 104.93	K-12 Scholarship Fund on 5/8/23	\$3,813.00
Quaker Center Deposit for Spring '23	\$2,135.00	Total Balance 5/8/23	\$26,087.47
Expenses subtotal	\$2,947.53		
General Fund Ending Balance	\$22,274.47		
2022 Sessions Income & Expenses		Net	
Winter	\$1395 income - \$671 expenses =	\$ 724.00	
Spring	\$4345 income - \$7003 expenses =	-\$2,658.00	
Fall	\$4800 income - \$8101 expenses =	-\$3,301.00	
Report as of 05/08/23, presented 5/21/23 – Martha Hunkins, CPQM Treasurer			

College Park Quarterly Meeting, Nominating Committee Report, May 20, 2023

All names were approved *except where noted*.

Presiding Clerk (one year term with a 3-year hope)

2026 Eric Sabelman, Palo Alto (2023)

Assistant Clerk (one year term with a 3-year hope)

2025 Stephen Myers, Sacramento (2022)

Recording Clerk (one year term with a 3-year hope)

2026 *Carl Magruder, Strawberry Creek (2023) not yet approved*

Finance (3 members, 3-year terms)

2024 Don Kewman, Grass Valley (2020) convener

2024 Tom Yamaguchi, Strawberry Creek (2021)

2025 Linda Rowell, Chico (2022)

2026 Peter Trueblood, Strawberry Creek (2023)

2025 Martha Hunkins, Humboldt (2022) Treasurer, ex officio

Ministry & Oversight (6 members, 3-year term)

2024 Ann-Marie Snell, San Francisco (2017) clerk

2024 Nancy Nanna, Redwood Forest (2023)

2024 Tom Farley, Palo Alto (2023)

2025 Jessie Mitchell, Berkeley, (2022)

2026 Karen Morgan, Redwood Forest (2023)

2026 Nora Lisette Cooke, Grass Valley (2023)

Registrars (one year term with a 3-year hope)

2024 Krista Barnard, San Francisco (2023) online zoom host

2026 Sarah Tyrel, Berkeley (2023) onsite registrar

2026 Sandy Kewman, Grass Valley (2023) onsite registrar

2024 Bob Runyan, Chico (2011) Website Coordinator (ex officio)

Arrangements (one year at a time)

Spring 2023 Owain Elliott Sowaal, San Francisco (2017)

Spring 2023 Bob Runyan, Chico, (2023)

Fall 2023 Doug Hamm, Grass Valley (2023)

Fall 2023 Don McCormick, Grass Valley (2023)

Fall 2023 Don Kewman, Grass Valley (2023)

Archivist Committee (one year term with a 3-year hope)

2024 Kathy Richman, Live Oak (2020)

2026 Joe Magruder, Berkeley (2023)

2026 Bruce Folsom, San Francisco (2023)

Children's Program (3 members, 3-year term)

2025 Barbara Christwitz, Redwood Forest (2019) clerk

2024 Delcy Steffy, Sacramento (2022)

2025 Theresa Cox, Berkeley (2023)

Teen Program (6 members, 3-year term)

2023 Keenan Lorenzato, ex officio,

2023 Ash Glazier Teen Co-Clerk (2022)

2023 Amaya Forrest James Teen Co-Clerk (2022)

2024 Ben Hofvendahl, Redwood Forest (2021)

2025 Melanie Cantu, Santa Cruz (2022) clerk

2026 John Cantu, Santa Cruz (2020)

2025 Nate Secrest Redwood Forest (2018)