

## **Midcoast Meeting of Friends Meeting for Business 2-20-2011**

The Meeting for Business opened with a Moment of Silence.

Minutes of the 1/16 Meeting for Business were approved.

### **Old Business:**

Peter Haviland reported that the Clearness Committee set up by Ministry & Counsel had met w/ George Chappell & unanimously recommended his membership. The Business Meeting unanimously approved his membership.

Kathy Gass requested ideas be given to students in the First Day School's for expenditure of the \$163 raised at the Holiday Fair. She also asked if the Meeting would be interested in having an intergenerational "Stone Soup" luncheon. It was agreed that this would happen before the next Business Meeting 3/20. Members will bring items for the soup.

Bill Spock & Deborah Haviland discussed the confusion over budget line items, which did not reflect Committee budgets. These concerns will be discussed in the next Finance Committee meeting.

Carmen Lavertu reported that the first in the series of upcoming Peace Center presentations follow the pot luck lunch on the first Sunday in March. She reminded Friends that Midcoast Meeting is hosting the Quarterly Meeting in November during which the African Great Lakes Commission will be discussed.

### **New Business:**

Carmen Lavertu read highlights from the report from Quarterly Meeting, which included:  
A request from Debbie Humphries to visit our Meeting in May as part of her traveling ministry in NEYM.  
A request that Ministry & Counsel take up the idea of inter-visitation as a way to, keep monthly Meetings more closely connected.

A Request to Midcoast Meeting to pledge funds for a new Sybil & Eli Jones Fund to financially support students in the Ramallah School.

Midcoast & our Hospitality Committee will be responsible for providing food during November's Quarterly Meeting.

Midcoast Meeting contributions to VQM should be half of recent contributions.

Dates for in depth committee reports to Monthly Meeting were proposed and discussed. up-dates were presented with the Finance Committee report being added to April's schedule for the first of two presentations. In August there will be no committee report.

Outreach, education & service will be topics discussed when there are no committee reports scheduled.

The meeting closed with a period of silent worship