

Minutes
Midcoast Monthly Meeting for Business
Sixth month 19, 2011

Co-clerk David Cadbury opened the session with moments of silence. There were twenty present. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Gifts and Leadings Committee – Anne Spencer reported the committee has begun work for 2012, clarifying its description and making plans.

Meetinghouse & Grounds Committee – George Waldman reported the committee's recommendation we hire Jack Shaw & Sons to pave the parking lot with new materials and repair the area previously done. Friends approved. It is important to pave early in the season, allowing the surface to settle before winter. This was not the case with the previous paving.

Coastal Kids Preschool Ad Hoc Committee – Guy Marsden reported the school's request to extend hours to 3 p.m. The committee recommended accepting, with rent increased by \$50 per month. Friends approved; the contract will be revised.

OLD BUSINESS

New Handbook – Pat Spock circulated a mock-up of the new edition which is ready for the printer. The paragraph on rules for renters will be removed. Friends approved.

China Camp scholarships – Claire Darrow spoke in favor of the meeting having a scholarship fund for the camp, describing her grandchildren's positive experiences there. The meeting contributes \$100 yearly to the camp's general fund. Many suggestions ensued: the meeting could donate to the camp's scholarship fund rather than establishing a fund of our own; families could ask the meeting for assistance as needed; we should not increase our budget; reserve funds should not be used for annual operations; we could table the request a couple of months and see if there will be a surplus; surplus is the source of funding our reserves for the future; having our own scholarship fund could encourage young families to attend; we could wait until we have children in our meeting who could benefit. The matter was tabled.

Dishwasher – Suzy Hallett reported on her research regarding purchase of a dishwasher with a quote of \$2000 from a local company that would include plumbing and countertops. The refrigerator would be moved around the corner. Friends spoke in favor of keeping the sink and refrigerator in a row and of getting another bid. Guy Marsden offered to contribute work. The matter was referred to Meetinghouse & Grounds and Suzy was thanked for her help.

NEW BUSINESS

June 12th discussion of possible meetinghouse expansion – An ad hoc committee to follow up on the discussion has been established. Anyone interested in serving will please speak to David or Suzy. This will be announced in the Newsletter.

CLOSING

No further business coming before the meeting the session was adjourned with moments of silence planning to meet next on July 17 at the rise of meeting for worship. All are welcome. Please bring a bag lunch.

Respectfully submitted,

David Cadbury, Co-clerk

Jean Crawford, Recording Clerk Pro Tem