

SAYMA Representative Meeting Minutes
Third Month 6, 2010
Representative Meeting #124 (Spring)
Nashville Friends Meeting, Nashville, Tennessee.

124-01 Meeting for Worship.

The meeting gathered with an extended period of expectant waiting.

124-02 Greeting and Introductions

Friends present introduced themselves, their purpose attending the meeting and their monthly meeting affiliation [Attachment 1 – Attendance List].

124-03 Memorials

Friends held in our loving memory SAYMA Friends who left this life in the last year. The names of Friends Harry Robie (Berea), Betty Johnson (Nashville), Tom Hobbes (Aiken Worship Group), David Brook Arnold (Swannanoa Valley), Gary Briggs (Asheville) and Phil Thomforde (Crossville) were held up.

124-04 Treasurer's Report and Projection Discussion

Deanna Nipp-Kientz reviewed the treasurer's report of third month 2010. Deanna reported \$10,727 income and \$21,044 disbursements for the first five months of the fiscal year, leaving a balance of 19,941 in the checking account. Constituent meeting assessment income is down significantly from our historical patterns. Deanne reviewed our operational expenses. Funds for our representatives travel to Wider Quaker Organizations are being used. Personnel costs remain our largest expenditure. Contributions to Wider Quaker Organizations have not yet been distributed. SAYF is regularly providing reports to the treasurer of their revenue and expenditures.

Minute: 124-04-01. We accept the Treasurer's Third Month 2010 Representative Meeting Report [Attachment 2]

Deanne reported on the process for securing a credit card for the use of the Administrative Assistant. She recommended the yearly meeting secure a debit card for the Administrative Assistant. A friend suggested that the Personnel Committee address the issue of the debit card for employees in the handbook. It was suggested that a separate account from which the Administrative Assistant would draw funds be established.

Minute 24-04-02: We ask the Treasurer and Finance Committee to bring a recommendation later in our sessions.

124-05 Budget Discussion

Dennis asked representative body for their discernment regarding the development of reasonable projections of future income for the yearly meeting. Friends noted that other Friends groups are also facing income issues. The importance of monthly meetings communicating with the treasurer was stressed. At this point it is not clear if meetings are delaying their assessment or reducing their assessment and more information is needed.

124-06 Faith and Practice Revision Committee

Kathleen Mavournin reported the Faith and Practice Revision Committee met last Friday and Saturday to review comments on the proposed revisions to the Marriage and Community sections of our Faith and Practice. She expressed the committee's appreciation for the seasoned comments submitted by Monthly Meetings and Worship Groups. The revised versions, incorporating the comments, will be distributed shortly. We will create spaces for further discernment at our upcoming yearly meeting sessions.

124-07 Southern Appalachian Young Friends (SAYF) Report

Mark Wutka reported that Southeastern Yearly Meeting has asked for representatives of SAYF to attend their yearly meeting sessions to share their experience with youth programming and work with their youth committee. The SAYF Steering and Nurture Committee has accepted this invitation. In response to the visit of a young friend from Baltimore Yearly Meeting at our yearly meeting sessions, SAYF friends are exploring a visit to Baltimore Yearly Meeting in return. SAYF retreats continue to be well attended.

124-08 Ecological Concern Network (ECN)

Shaun Chaves, ECN Co-clerk, reported the Ecological Concern Network is surveying SAYMA meeting and worship groups to understand what they are doing in response to ecological concerns. ECN is exploring creating a second hour curriculum on environmental concerns. This is being developed and Friends suggestions are welcome

124-09 Fall Representative Meeting

124-08-01: We ask West Knoxville Monthly Meeting to consider hosting our Fall Representative Meeting tentatively scheduled for Ninth Month 11, 2010.

124-10 Administrative Assistant

Liz Perch reported the unseasonable weather has provided many personal challenges. Liz will be circulating the most recent members and attenders directories to Monthly Meetings and Worship Groups for updating. She urged meetings to review the accuracy of the directory listings to insure we have the most accurate information for our yearly meeting. A draft directory will be available for review at Yearly Meeting sessions. Meetings are responding to the census inquiries and Liz will compile a report that will be available by yearly meeting. Difficulties with the web site have posed a challenge for the distribution of yearly meeting documents.

Several friends raised questions regarding printing the SAYMA Faith and Practice. The ongoing process of revision has delayed the printing of a hard copy for some time. An electronic copy of the current version, as approved by yearly meeting as of 2009, is available to download from the website. Several friends highlighted the importance of having a printed copy to reflect who we say we are for education and discussion. It was suggested that electronic and printed copies of the current revision of Faith and Practice would increase access to this document.

124-10-01: We ask the Administrative Assistant to provide a limited supply of printed and electronic (cd) copies of the current Faith and Practice for use by the yearly meeting.

Liz continues to have time available to assist yearly meeting committees. She anticipates she will be working with Yearly Meeting Planning and Faith and Practice Revision Committee. Liz continues working on updating the handbook. Liz has established a SAYMA office telephone number. The SAYMA office can be reached at 865-272-9621 during office hours.

124-11 Outreach Committee

Dennis Gregg reported that in response to a report in the *Southern Appalachian Friend*, Gita Larson (Columbia MM) has volunteered to join the Outreach Committee. The committee will be meeting during our representative meeting sessions and at yearly meeting.

124-12 Friends World Committee for Consultation (FWCC) Regional Meeting

Tim Lamm reported that the FWCC regional gathering will be hosted by West Knoxville meeting in the Fall of 2010. The regional FWCC representatives will be meeting soon to develop a theme and plan the meeting. The regional gathering is an open meeting and Tim encouraged SAYMA friends to attend. The West Knoxville Meeting will provide the opportunity to meeting Friends from a variety of traditions.

124-13 Quaker Earthcare Witness

David Cisel reported that Quaker Earthcare Witness has a new website. QEW has mini-grants (\$250) available to support a range of projects.

BREAK FOR LUNCH

124-14 Yearly Meeting Planning Committee

Kristi Estes reported for the committee. The theme of the 2010 yearly meeting gathering is “Discerning the Way.” On Thursday evening a panel will address clearness processes and the Friday speaker is expected to be a young Friend. There will be a slight increase in costs, driven by our billing from Warren Wilson College. Additional time for business meeting has been scheduled. A threshing session to consider the proposed revisions to the section on Marriage in our Faith and Practice will be scheduled for Friday afternoon. Worship will be an integral part of the gathering in a variety of times and formats. Advance programs should be available in April and we are urged to promote them in our yearly meeting.

Beth Myers, the Junior Yearly Meeting Coordinator, reported she is designing a program based on the theme “Building Community.” The Junior Yearly Meeting Coordinators are working to identify two meeting spaces suitable for different age groups. Beth hopes to encourage web-based interaction with parents in advance of the yearly meeting and a specific evaluation process. The web URL will be shared with the yearly meeting.

Sharon Annis, Yearly Meeting Workshop Coordinator, encouraged Friends to discern among SAYMA friends with gifts to offer through workshops for our annual sessions. A variety of formats and topics are suitable for workshop offerings. The deadline for workshop proposals is the end of March. Send workshop proposals to Sharon Annis.

124-15 Nominating Committee

Sallie Prugh reported for the Nominating Committee. She thanked members of her committee for their dedicated service.

124-15-01: On the recommendation of the Nominating Committee, we approve Gita McGahey as our representative to the Southeastern Regional Office of the American Friends Service Committee (2009-2011).

124-15-02: On the recommendation of the Nominating Committee, we approve Charles Schade as our representative to the 2009 AFSC Corporation meeting.

The Nominating Committee is working with Liz to develop a system to better track the terms of our representatives to Wider Quaker Organizations. The Nominating Committee is concerned with balancing the desire of wider Quaker organizations to have some continuity in our representatives with our desire to provide opportunities for a broad range of Friends to learn about the work of these organizations. Another issue of Wider Quaker Organizations is that SAYMA is permitted to name more representatives than we currently appoint. The nominating committee is discussing these questions and plans to bring a proposal to yearly meeting.

124-15-03: On the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and the SAYF Steering Committee, we approve Wren Hendrickson (Chapel Hill MM) to serve as co-clerk of the SAYF Steering Committee.

124-16 Ministry and Nurture Committee

Thais Carr reported that Ministry and Nurture Committee has been meeting quarterly. She encouraged representatives to assist in the process of the timely submission of state of the meeting reports to the yearly meeting. The Ministry and Nurture Committee will be reviewing the reports in advance of yearly meeting with the goal of creating a summary state of the yearly meeting report.. Thais read a set of queries that has been sent to each Monthly Meeting clerk to assist in the shaping of the state of the meeting report. [Attachment 3 – Report; Attachment 4 - Queries].

The Ministry and Nurture Committee plans to hold two retreats in the next year. Two representatives of each meeting will be invited to attend the retreats with the goal of nurturing ministry and nurture in monthly meeting.

Ministry and Nurture Committee plans to maintain a worshipful presence at the yearly meeting sessions. During business sessions friends so led will gather in worship holding our business session in a spirit of tender care.

124-17 Finance Committee

Susan Phelan reported the Finance Committee will send a communication to monthly meetings about the drop in assessment income and soliciting their assistance with determining a realistic projection of income. The Finance Committee asks yearly meeting committees for input on the next year's budget. Susan welcomed questions and concerns from monthly meeting about SAYMA finances.

124-17-01: On the recommendation of the Treasurer and Finance committee we approve obtaining a debit card for the administrative assistant.

124-17-02: We ask the Finance Committee to develop appropriate policy to insure financial controls for the use of the card.

124-18 American Friends Service Committee Representative

Charles Schade reported he attended the November 2009 AFSC Corporation Meeting in Philadelphia. AFSC continues to face financial challenges and is projecting for the near term budgets approximately half that of recent years. The General Secretary position of AFSC is open and a search committee is actively working to discern the appropriate candidate at this challenging time. In response to the service committee's financial challenges, the organization is considering a reduction in the size of the board and corporation. A working group is considering the size and function of these bodies on which Charles is serving. Charles invited SAYMA friends to share their concerns and ideas with him. We encouraged Charles to insure a workshop on AFSC is held at the yearly meeting.

Peter Furst reported the regional AFSC (SERO) office has a newsletter that reports on current work. Peter was asked to post the newsletter on the list serve.

124-19 Friends General Conference

Liz Perch reported the 2010 FGC Gathering will be held in Bowling Green, Ohio, July 4-10. Evening Programs will include George Lakey, Phil Gulley, an Amanda Kemp play and a Quaker “showcase of talent.” Registration and workshop information are available on the FGC website.

Friends General Conference is seeking a new General Secretary, as Bruce Birchard will be leaving next year. A complete job description is available online.

FGC is also facing financial challenges. FGC is extending its capital campaign for a year and will have some reduction in personnel costs. Liz encouraged friends to continue their financial support for FGC.

124-20 Friends World Committee for Consultation

Sallie Prugh reported the annual meeting of FWCC, Section of the Americas, will be held late March in the Baltimore area. FWCC is working to develop and expand special programming for young adult friends.

Tim Lamm reported the Section of the Americas assists Latin American Friends to attend the Section of the Americas. In planning the FWCC regional meeting, regional representatives have been working to determine how to assist Jamaican Friends to attend the regional gathering. Tim reported how valuable his experience with FWCC has been to him.

124-21 Rural Southern Voice for Peace (RSVP)

Brian Yaffe distributed copies of the current RSVP newsletter. Rural Southern Voice for Peace is working at facilitating dialogue among people who have a common concern. The work is both local and international. On the local level, RSVP is working to encourage churches to engage with ecological issues and propose other alternatives. Brian encouraged Friends to read the newsletter and support RSVP.

124-22 *Friends Journal*

Liz Perch reported for *Friends Journal*. Four SAYMA friends presently serve on the Friends Journal Board. *Friends Journal* is seeking to discern the proper form to continue publishing a magazine in a difficult climate. A subcommittee of the Board is working on a vision for the future. *Friends Journal* is now available in a fully electronic format and discounted print or electronic subscriptions are available by contacting Liz or any board member. The purpose of the discount is to expand the subscription base, reducing copy cost.

124-23 Closing Minute of Thanks to Nashville Monthly Meeting

Minute 124-23-01: SAYMA representative body offers our thanks to Nashville Monthly meetings for their generous hospitality, loving attention to our needs and delightful food. It is always a treasure to be among Friends and discern how the spirit moves.

124-24: Next Meeting.

If it is in accord with Divine will, our next meeting will be held at our Yearly Meeting sessions, sixth month 10-13, 2010 and our next Representative Meeting will be held at West Knoxville in Ninth month, 2010.

Dennis Gregg, Clerk
(archive copy signed)

Bill Holland, Recording Clerk
(archive copy signed)

Attachment 1: Attendance at Representative Meeting #124

1. Sharon Annis, West Knoxville Friends Meeting
2. Chris Berg – Greenville
3. Thais Carr, Nashville
4. Shawn Chavis - Birmingham
5. Carol Ciscel - Memphis
6. David Ciscel – Memphis
7. Hank Fay – Berea
8. Peter Furst, Birmingham
9. Sue Gerdis, Columbia
10. Dennis Gregg – Crossville
11. Kristi Estes – Oxford
12. John Geary - Boone
13. Dennis Gregg - Crossville
14. Bill Holland – Atlanta
15. Missy Ivey, West Knoxville Friends Meeting
16. Tim Lamm - Berea
17. Jere Licciardello - Chattanooga
18. Kathleen Mavournin West Knoxville
19. Beth Myers, Berea
20. Deanna Nipp-Kientz - Cookeville
21. Liz Perch – Savannah/Admin Asst
22. Susan Phelan – Huntsville
23. Kit Potter – Nashville
24. John Potter - Nashville
25. Sallie Prugh - Columbia
26. Charles Schade, Charleston, WV
27. Lee Ann Swarm, West Knoxville
28. Linda Trask - Nashville
29. Bob Welsh – Swannanoa Valley
30. Bill Wolfe - Nashville
31. Ceal Wutka – Atlanta
32. Mark Wutka – Atlanta
33. Brian Yaffe - Celso



Deanna Nipp-Kientz, Treasurer & Peter Furst, Assistant Treasurer

Treasurer's March 2010 Representative Meeting Report
Prepared Monday, February 27, 2010

Our 2010 fiscal year budget runs from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. This year's Budget is based on a \$60 assessment. Attached please find (1) the budget report for 2010 and (2) the account balances report for FY 2010.

Issues to report include:

1. The FY2010 budget is attached as approved at the September 2010 Representative Meeting. Income for the first five months of this year is \$10,976; disbursements are \$21,044.41. There is \$19,941 in the checking account and \$39,680 in the two Self Help Credit Union savings accounts.
2. Income in FY 2010: Assessment income is down sharply from the same period in previous years.

Oct. 2005 – Feb. 2006	\$17,477.75
Oct. 2006 – Feb. 2007	22,890.00
Oct. 2007 – Feb. 2008	18,120.00
Oct. 2008 – Feb. 2009	24,810.00
Oct. 2009 – Feb. 2010	10,727.50

Interest rates for our savings accounts are still low.
3. Operational Expenses in FY 2010. Funds for travel for WQO's are being expended; almost half of the funds designated for delegate expenses have been used. SAYMA committee allotments are also being used. Personnel expenses (wages and taxes) are the largest of our operational expenses. Cost of living raises were not provided to our two employees at the beginning of FY 2010, because the CPI-U had not increased in 2008. Office expenses are well within the amount budgeted.
4. Yearly Meeting Projects in FY 2010: SAYMA contributions to Wider Quaker Organizations have not been sent. Transfers have been made to SAYMA's Set Aside Budgeted Funds. As shown on the Account Balances Report, funding from the Spiritual Development Fund has been provided on three occasions.
5. Account Balances Report for FY 2010: SAYMA has net assets of \$59,621 as of the date of this report and Claims against Available Funds totaling \$20,389.
6. SAYF sends regular quarterly reports on their finances to the Treasurer. At the end of the first quarter of FY 2010:
 - a. SAYF had income of \$2099.00.
 - b. SAYF had expenditures of \$1407.70.
 - c. SAYF had \$2142.47 in their checking account and a \$123.78 balance in their scholarship fund. The SAYF Coordinator is paid through SAYMA and appears under the personnel costs on the budget report.
7. A consumer credit option for Liz Perch, SAYMA's Administrative Assistant, is now available.

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SAYMA Fiscal Year 2010 Budget Report
Budget Approved at Representative Meeting September 12, 2009
to cover October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010
Report Prepared February 27, 2010

	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
	FY 2009	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2010
Income				
Assessments*	\$42,000	\$45,232.50	\$42,000	\$10,727.50
Bank Interest	\$900	\$808.91	\$700	\$248.92
Contributions	\$3,260	\$0.00	\$500	
F&P Sales	\$250	\$0.00	\$250	
Newsletter				
SAYF Receipts		\$0.00		
YM Total Receipts	\$29,000	\$28,688.06	\$29,000	
YM Receipts	\$26,000	\$23,430.37	\$26,000	
YM Scholarship Donations	\$1,000	\$2,979.63	\$1,000	
YM Book Sales	\$2,000	\$2,278.06	\$2,000	
Total Income	\$75,410	\$74,729.47	\$72,450	\$10,976.42
SAYMA OPERATIONAL EXPENSES				
Yearly Meeting	\$28,900	\$29,255.09	\$29,600	\$0.00
Yrly Meeting - Facilities	\$22,000	\$21,730.93	\$22,000	
Prtng/Mail/Phone/Minutes/Misc	\$900	\$2,069.84	\$1,500	
Junior Yearly Meeting -- JYM	\$3,000	\$2,966.17	\$3,100	\$0.00
<i>Coordinator</i>	\$1,800	\$1,800.00	\$1,800	
<i>Ass't Coordinator</i>	\$1,000	\$1,000.00	\$1,000	
<i>Supplies/Sitters/Misc</i>	\$200	\$166.17	\$300	
Scholarship WQO Reps	\$1,000	\$486.87	\$1,000	
YM Bookstore	\$2,000	\$2,001.28	\$2,000	
SAYF Operational Transfers	\$3,000	\$2,000.00	\$3,000	\$0.00
Delegate Expenses	\$6,900	\$5,077.53	\$6,900	\$3,048.89
Rep Mtgs	\$300		\$300	
Del to WQOs	\$6,600	\$5,077.53	\$6,600	\$3,048.89
Committees	\$2,000	\$23.44	\$2,100	\$455.34
Ministry and Nurture	\$1,200	\$0.00	\$1,200	
Ecological Concerns	\$300		\$300	
Faith and Practice	\$400	\$23.44	\$400	\$455.34
Finance Committee			\$100	
Nominating	\$100		\$100	
SAYMA Liability Insurance	\$700	\$522.00	\$700	\$591.00
SAYMA Personnel	\$21,809	\$21,816.78	\$21,809	\$9,637.31
SAYMA Staff Training	\$100		\$100	\$0.00
SAYMA Office Administration	\$3,500	\$1,875.41	\$2,900	\$881.30
Phone, Internet & Office Expenses		\$545.40		\$335.40
Postage		\$151.14		\$35.20
Duplication		\$114.75		\$18.55
Misc. Office & Travel		\$1,064.12		\$492.15
SAYMA Newsletter	\$1,300	\$1,135.94	\$1,300	\$650.57
SAYMA Directory	\$600	\$206.43	\$600	\$0.00
SAYMA Treasurer	\$250	\$506.84	\$600	\$180.00
SAYMA F&P	\$100	\$1.90	\$100	\$0.00
SAYMA Other Expenses**	\$0		\$0	
Total Operational Disbursements	\$69,159	\$62,421.36	\$69,709	\$15,444.41
YEARLY MEETING PROJECTS				
Transfers To Funds	\$4,800	\$4,800.00	\$5,600	\$5,600.00
Spiritual Development Fund	\$1,500	\$1,500.00	\$1,500	\$1,500.00
Released Friend Fund	\$1,500	\$1,500.00	\$1,500	\$1,500.00
FWCC - 3rd World Delegate	\$650	\$650.00	\$1,325	\$1,325.00
FWCC World Conference Fund	\$700	\$700.00	\$825	\$825.00
Youth Enrichment Fund	\$250	\$250.00	\$250	\$250.00
Young Adult Friends Scholarships	\$200	\$200.00	\$200	\$200.00
Contributions Wider Quaker Org	\$6,000	\$6,000.00	\$6,000	\$0.00
<i>AFSC</i>	\$700	\$700.00	\$700	\$0.00
<i>FCNL</i>	\$700	\$700.00	\$700	\$0.00
<i>FGC</i>	\$700	\$700.00	\$700	\$0.00
<i>FWCC</i>	\$700	\$700.00	\$700	\$0.00
<i>Right Sharing of World Resources</i>	\$700	\$700.00	\$700	\$0.00
<i>Quaker House</i>	\$700	\$700.00	\$700	\$0.00
<i>Friends f or LGBTQ Concerns</i>	\$200	\$200.00	\$200	\$0.00
<i>Quaker Earthcare Witness</i>	\$700	\$700.00	\$700	\$0.00
<i>Friends Peace Teams</i>	\$200	\$200.00	\$200	\$0.00
<i>Wm Penn House</i>	\$200	\$200.00	\$200	\$0.00
<i>Friends Journal</i>	\$200	\$200.00	\$200	\$0.00
<i>Gulf ord College Archiving</i>	\$100	\$100.00	\$100	\$0.00
<i>Rural Southern Voice f or Peace</i>	\$200	\$200.00	\$200	\$0.00
Other				
Total Projects	\$10,800	\$10,800.00	\$11,600	\$5,600.00
Total Disbursements	\$79,959	\$73,221.36	\$81,309	\$21,044.41
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$4,549)	\$1,508.11	(\$8,859)	(\$10,067.99)

* based a \$60.00 assessment per member and regular attendee

SAYMA Account Balances Report -- Fiscal 2010
February 27, 2010

	2006 9/30/2006	2007 9/30/2007	2008 9/30/2008	2009 9/5/2009	2010 2/27/2010
Assets					
Bank Accounts					
Checking (Bank of America)	\$17,299	\$17,660	\$15,013	\$20,312	\$19,941
Money Market (Self Help)*	\$16,086	\$21,978	\$22,640	\$22,953	\$23,105
Savings (Self Help CD)*	\$5,098	\$10,386	\$15,933	\$16,375	\$16,575
Total Available Funds	\$38,483	\$50,024	\$53,587	\$59,640	\$59,621
Liabilities					
Set Aside Budgeted Funds					
FWCC Third World Delegate	\$0	\$650	\$1,300	\$1,950	\$3,275
FWCC World Conference Fund after 2008 (FWCC Triennial Fund through 2008)	\$2,367	\$1,067	\$1,767	\$2,467	\$3,292
Released Friend	\$3,150	\$3,350	\$4,350	\$5,850	\$7,350
Spiritual Development	\$982	\$822	\$327	\$1,627	\$2,127
Youth Enrichment Fund	\$1,895	\$2,145	\$2,395	\$2,645	\$2,895
Young Adult Friends Scholarship	\$600	\$700	\$800	\$1,000	\$1,200
Accumulated Funds					
YM Scholarship	\$663	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SAYF Scholarship Fund	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250
Claims against Available Funds	\$9,907	\$8,984	\$11,189	\$15,789	\$20,389
Net Assets = Assets - Liabilities	\$28,575	\$41,040	\$42,398	\$43,851	\$39,232
Fund Expenses in Fiscal Year					
Spiritual Development Fund -- FWCC El Salvador 5/9/2006	(\$100)				
FWCC Third World Delegate 7/5/2006	(\$1,950)				
Spiritual Development Fund -- School of the Spirit 3/6/2007		(\$500)			
FWCC Triennial Fund -- 2007 Meeting 4/25/2007		(\$825)			
Spiritual Development Fund -- QUIT Conference 5/14/2007		(\$160)			
YM Scholarship Fund -- YM 2007 Deficit 7/1/2007		(\$663)			
FWCC Triennial Fund -- 2007 Meeting 7/1/2007		(\$1,175)			
Spiritual Development Fund -- FGC Consultation 11/7/2007			(\$160)		
Spiritual Development Fund -- Earlham Scholarship 11/7/2007			(\$300)		
Spiritual Development Fund -- FGC Consultation 11/7/2007			(\$210)		
Spiritual Development Fund -- Registration for Philadelphia YM 2/5/2008			(\$325)		
Spiritual Development Fund -- Earlham Scholarship 3/31/2008			(\$500)		
Spiritual Development Fund -- Earlham Scholarship 8/1/2009				(\$200)	
Spiritual Development Fund -- School of the Spirit 11/12/2009					(\$500)
Spiritual Development Fund -- School of the Spirit 11/12/2009					(\$200)
Spiritual Development Fund -- Earlham Scholarship 1/16/2010					(\$300)
Total	(\$2,050)	(\$3,323)	(\$1,495)	(\$200)	(\$1,000)

*FY2009 interest flow reported on the budget page. Totals on this page reflect interest earned also.

Attachment 3: Ministry and Nurture Committee Report

Ministry and Nurture Committee Report

1. Meetings:
 - a. Met Fall 2009 – Birmingham
 - b. Met January 2010 – Memphis
 - c. Will meet May 2010 – Celo
2. State of the Meeting Reports. Get them to Liz by 4/10/10. Helpful queries have been sent to help this process.
3. Two Ministry and Nurture retreats are being planned where 2 people from each Monthly Meeting will be invited to participate. The goal is to foster Ministry and Nurture Committees in the local meeting.
 - a. Fall 2010 – North Carolina
 - b. Spring 2011 – Alabama
4. Yearly Meeting this year will include extra worship including extended worship opportunities. We will also have a designated seating area in Meeting for Business where Friend's will be holding the meeting in Light. Anyone is encouraged to participate.

Attachment 4: Queries for Monthly Meeting

*Queries from SAYMA Monthly Meetings
That May Be Useful in Writing State of the Meeting Reports
Received Fall, 2009

- How has the Spirit within your Meeting been shared with the wider community beyond the walls of your Meetinghouse?
- How fares Spirit in your Meeting during the last year, answering this question in four categories: Meeting for Worship, Meeting for Business, Committee Work, and Outreach to the Broader Community?
- How has the Meeting lived its testimonies in the preceding year?
- How has the Meeting supported “that of God” in each other over the course of the year?
- How has the Meeting expressed its vision with those outside the Meeting community?
- How has it supported groups and organizations within the Quaker community?
- How does attending meeting and being part of this faith community help me live in spirit and in truth? Why do I attend meeting?
- In what ways do we all take responsibility for the nurturing of our meeting?
- What are hoping for and striving for as individuals and as a meeting?
- How is our search for truth reflected in our hopes and dreams?
- How has Spirit fare with us this year?
- How have we balanced between “silence and witness”? How have we balanced between worship and our witness beyond Meeting?
- Are we seeking to rectify existing social injustice and racial discrimination in our local communities and in the world at large?

*Thanks to the monthly meetings that developed and sent these queries. All queries sent have been included in this list, and the wording of the queries has not been edited.