

## **Quaker House Representative Report**

### **SAYMA Annual Meeting 2023**

SAYMA's Rep to Quaker House is automatically a board member of Quaker House. That dual role has allowed me to gain a great deal of insight into the state of Quaker House. In a nutshell, QH has never been stronger in terms of budget, programming, contact with MM's around the country, and plans for bringing the fruits of QH (think: what are the programs we have, how would you go about establishing them in your area, what external resources/materials/curricula etc. would you use). The final name for this effort, already in development, is still under consideration. It began as "Quaker House In A Box" but will not end up that.

A few years ago this SAYMA Rep noted that Quaker House had embraced the goal of bringing the fruits of Quaker House to MM's, but had no Outreach Committee. The Board immediately agreed this was a need and came together in minuting that discernment. Then the Assistant Clerk looked at the SAYMA Rep and said: "who is going to be the Clerk of that Committee?" So the current SAYMA Rep to SAYMA is by title the Clerk of Quaker House Outreach (which meets once or twice monthly by Zoom) but in fact acts as convener.

The current Executive Director of Quaker House in fact attends all meetings of the QH Outreach Committee and uses the committee as a sounding board for his work in pulling together what was his dream even before he was selected as Quaker House Exec: the to-be-renamed Quaker House in a Box.

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