

NPYM Executive Committee
notes from 10/5/19 conference call

Please note: Kenya Casanova is a Cuban Friend (she/her, a practicing dentist) and Nora Percival is planning to do service work and NPYM work while in the nation of Kenya, East Africa

Present were: Lucy Fullerton (Ministry and Counsel), Donal Sullivan (Treasurer), Nora Percival (Secretary), David Zeiss (NPYM Presiding Clerk), Jane Snyder (Coordinating Committee Associate Clerk) and Rocky Garrison (Coordinating Committee Clerk, Executive Committee Clerk)

1) Announcement was made regarding the process of selecting Western Oregon University in Monmouth, Oregon, as site for the 2020 NPYM Annual Session, details yet to be confirmed.

Nora will be working from Kenya in November, and will have access to whatever data we have stored on the cloud, but not to the hard drive of the NPYM Secretary's computer.

2) The following nominations were approved:

Lyn Gordon (Multnomah Meeting) for another term on Site Committee until 9/23

Lucinda Hites-Claybaugh (Multnomah) for Peace and Social Concerns until 9/20

Lew Scholl (Multnomah) for IT Committee until 9/22

Rick Ells (University Meeting) IT Committee until 9/22

3) Personnel Committee matters

Personnel will meet soon to evaluate appropriateness of job descriptions for Registrar and General Arrangements as we transition from volunteer to contract worker status for these Friends, to decide on interview questions, and to schedule interviews, make decisions; hopefully to be accomplished prior to October Coordinating Committee.

Associate Clerk job description: EC approved deleting "Serve as editor of NPYM website, working closely with the Webkeeper to assure that the website is current and accurate" and adding, " Work with the webkeeper to update the links to Representatives, Correspondents and liaisons on the "Reps to Orgs" page in the "Structure" pull down menu.

Also approved: adding to Webkeeper job description : "Maintain and adjust settings and content of the yearly meeting registration system and annual session website in collaboration with registrar."

4) Clerk David Zeiss reported on the work he has done to try to communicate with Kenya Casanova, our proposed Friend in Residence for 2020, as well as the discernment process for dealing with the difficulties of obtaining a US entry visa for Kenya. David has received input from Robin Mohr of FWCC and Friends in New England Yearly Meeting, "Sister YM" to Cuba Yearly Meeting. Meanwhile, David has succeeded in arranging a "Plan B", in the case we are not able to bring Kenya. It is hoped that, if Kenya is not able to be our Friend in Residence in 2020, that at some time in the future when US/Cuba relations are more friendly, that we will indeed be able to receive Kenya.

Donal helped us clarify that NPYM generally offers financial assistance to NPYM Friends when they are the official visitor to other yearly meetings, but not to assist Friends from other yearly meetings when they visit NPYM.

Donal also reported that Janet Jump of NPYM Finance and Legal is in the process of discerning how NPYM will administer the Anti Racism fund.

