

North Pacific Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee

Report to Coordinating Committee, Spring 2020

Your Nominating Committee has been meeting regularly since our last report in October. In addition to our efforts to identify potential nominees for various posts, we've received additional input and canvassing by David Zeiss, Lew Scholl, and Lucretia Humphrey. Their collective efforts have led us to nominees, some of whom were presented to the Executive Committee recently for immediate approval, and others that we present to the Coordinating Committee for approval.

To the Executive Committee we recommended Mark Kille (Multnomah) for Program Coordinator and Margaret Coahran (Pullman-Moscow) for Volunteer Coordinator. A couple of months ago, we recommended Nick Prazniak (Eugene) as the Audio-Visual Coordinator (consider that the Assistant Physical Arrangements Clerk) and Hunter Keller (Corvallis) as a Junior Friends Advisor.

We asked the Executive Committee for a policy decision that would affect a potential nominee for the Western Friend board. That individual would require financial assistance in advance to travel to board meetings instead of being reimbursed after the event. If the Executive Committee is in favor of that practice, then we have a nominee for one of the two open positions on the Western Friend board.

The nominees we are presenting to the Coordinating Committee for approval are

- Don Goldstein (Bellingham) for the Site Committee
- Esther Schiedel (Corvallis) for the Epistle Committee

Positions left over from last fall that we are still trying to fill are:

- Archivist (3 year term)
- Outreach and Visitation (2 year term, seeking someone from east of the Cascades)

In addition to the vacancies in the Annual Session Planning Committee, we had three mid-term resignations in recent months. Most notable, perhaps, was the Western Friend Board losing two of its three members. The Nominating Committee will continue its search for new members of those committees and posts while starting to turn its attention to positions that have current members ending their terms in September.

The hiring of an Event Planner and a Registrar requires a review and revision of some of the positions associated with the Annual Session Planning Committee. The General Arrangements Clerk and Physical Arrangements Clerk have merged in the Event Planner's duties. Local liaisons are now needed to maintain contact with the Annual Session site host and save the Event

Planner frequent trips to the site. This year, we created (ad hoc) the Audio-Visual Coordinator position so that the Event Planner wouldn't be burdened with learning the details of public address systems and projectors and keeping them running during Annual Session. Perhaps after our next gathering is in the rear view mirror, we can have a small committee meet with the Event Planner and Registrar and review the support they need to stage Annual Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Etter, Clerk, NPYM Nominating Committee