Ames Friends Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business, Oct 10-08, 2023

Attending: A.M. Fink, Deb Fink, Steven Cannon, Becky Musselman, David Wilcox, Charlie Johnson, Susan Zeigler, Ebby Luvaga, Helen Jensen, Rose Gowan

THE MINUTES from September were approved after correction: Licida Membreno and her sister will move into an apartment in October; and date corrections: Oct 15 potluck, 22th discussion.

FINANCIAL REPORT (report from Becky)

• Summary from Becky.

MINISTRY & COUNSEL:

• M&C met and planned an open house for the 15th. Cindy made flyers. Since Lee and Cindy will be gone, and the 15th rapidly approaches, suggestion to defer the open house to November 12, and make that the potluck day. David W. will coordinate with Cindy.

Last Sunday of October (29th): Some from the Quaker Meadowlarks group, visiting the Finks that weekend, may attend meeting on the 29th. Thanks to those who have offered a bed.

SCATTERGOOD (David W):

- Things are going well in general.
- Deb: JJ Kapoor would like to do a video project that would involve Scattergood students and Friends General Conference.
- Ebby: would it be possible to bring an exchange student from Kenya for a semester to Scattergood? David W will put Ebby in contact with someone.
- There is a question about legal relationship between Yearly Meeting & Scattergood, for liability reasons; will be evaluated during accreditation process in the coming year.

Beth Douglas (Mennonite) asked if their group can continue to meet here. Yes.

FCNL Advocacy Team (Charlie): Focus for this year has been funding for peacemaking activities. Lobbying has been delayed until a Speaker of the House is selected.

Internet cost: the price has increased. Steven reports that the ZenFields is willing to pay for internet. (Note added after meeting: ZenFields will use a hotspot device, so it is OK as far as ZenFields is concerned to discontinue internet service to the meetinghouse.)

Close with silence.

Steven Cannon, note taker.