

Minutes of the Young Adult Friends of New England Yearly Meeting

Saturday, August 1, 2009

1. YAFs settled into worship by the pond.

YAF assistant coordinator Ben Guaraldi (B Hill) presented on YAF Ministry & Oversight Committee's sense that the community should engage in discernment around whether we are led to create commitments for those participating in the YAF community that could function like Young Friends commitments. Friends approved creating a working group to plan and facilitate that discernment. Will Jennings (B Hill), Anne-Marie Witzburg (Well), Martin Blood-Forsythe (Put), and Molly Lidz (Lew) volunteered to serve on the working group, and Friends approved naming those Friends to the working group. The whole community was invited to the working group's first meeting on Sunday at lunch.

2. Friends were asked to volunteer for a number of other committees. The following slate was approved.

- Epistle: Ian Broome (MTob), Kieran Brackbill (Mon)
- Super Secret Committee: Matt Taber (FPon), Peter Wilmerding (Put)
- YF Dance: Zachary Kronisch (Stor), Adam Kohrman (Well)
- Retreat Themes: Molly Lidz, Kieran Brackbill
- Snacks: Peter Wilmerding, Will Jennings
- Inter-visitation:
 - JHYM: Colin Bussiere-Nichols (Port), Adam Kohrman
 - YF: Zachary Kronisch
 - General YM: Will Jennings, Martin Blood-Forsythe

We closed with grateful worship.

Sunday, August 2, 2009

3. Friends opened with waiting worship.

Jonah Erikson (Mon) volunteered to fill in as recording clerk when Adam Kohrman (Well) leaves to work with JHYM. Friends approved.

4. Visitor Larry Jalowiec (Richland MM, Philadelphia YM), the Director of Advancement for Friends Journal, spoke to YAFs about the Journal. He detailed the Journal's readership, which spans all branches of Friends and also includes many non-Friends. He also discussed the hunger of the Journal's readership to hear the voices of youthful Friends. He concluded with a request that YAFs—individually, in small groups, or as a corporate body—write for the Journal.

5. YAFs need to fill up committees used for Sessions. We settled into silence, hoping that people would volunteer for such positions, specifically intervisitation. Sarah Hunter (Nham) volunteered for childcare visitation. Rania Campbell-Cobb (Port) volunteered to visit the 3-6 JYM.

6. Clerk Elias Sánchez-Eppler (Nham) shared a request from NEYM Ministry & Counsel clerk Kristna Evans (NSho) requesting that YAFs name two representatives to the committee. After discussing the duties of the committee, we requested that YAF Nominating Committee discern Friends to be on Ministry & Counsel. Friends agreed to think deeply about whether they feel led to serve on M&C and about who else in the community has gifts that such service would call out.

7. YAF assistant coordinator Ben Guaraldi presented on recent communications with the NEYM working party on Spirituality & Sexual Ethics about creating an event on sexuality and sexual ethics lead by YAFs and the working party. We are led to do some sort of workshop on sexuality. Molly Lidz, Sarah Hunter, Katharine Fisher (BHill), Honor Woodrow (Fram), and Will Jennings volunteered to help organize an interest group on Tuesday night. Friends approved entrusting them to figure out what exactly the working party is asking for and then collaborating with the working party to facilitate the event.

8. Visitor Reeve Gutsell (Put) introduced herself.

9. Martin Blood-Forsythe reported on the work of the working party on Commitments. The party located two previous minutes that are related to this issue, the Expectations Minute from 2005 and the introductory section of the YAF Organizing Document. He then read three queries from the working party to direct our worship. These queries were:

- What do we need to commit to ensure the continued existence of the YAF community?
- What are we willing to sacrifice for the spiritual growth of the community?
- What is our goal as a community? That is, for what are we willing to sacrifice some personal freedom when we are in community together?

Friends considered these questions. Friends discussed not having clear guidelines for retreat behavior but felt that the discipline that facilitates and deepens our community cannot be captured in a set of behavioral rules. While Friends recognized that such rules might enable us to know our communal expectations without discernment, Friends would prefer to do the hard work of continual discernment. As such, Friends felt that they had no reason to continue to discern specific rules about sex or drugs.

To carry forward this discussion, Friends decided to post a large piece of paper with three sections: one, our current minutes on expectations for Friends to react to; two, a place to write what in our community is worth sacrificing for; and three, a parking lot for miscellaneous thoughts on this topic. The working party agreed to post this paper, and then based on the feedback they receive, consider how the conversation should be moved forward.

We closed with silent worship.

Tuesday, August 4, 2009

10. Friends began with waiting worship. Friends approved Ben Guaraldi to act as recording clerk.

11. Friends received several visitors. Dylan Stellpflug (Dur) from Friends Camp; Roy Veatch (FPon), from JYM; Lisa Forbush-Umholtz (Ames), part of JYM staff; Jesse Grace (B Hill), from JYM; Suzanna Schell (B Hill), from Permanent Board's internal nominating committee.

Dylan Stellpflug invited YAFs to pursue employment with Friends Camp, an overnight camp in South China, Maine.

Suzanna Schell announced that Permanent Board's Internal Nominating Committee is seeking a YAF to be an at-large member of NEYM Nominating Committee.

12. Sadie Forsythe (Put) announced a YAF delegation to Palestine/Israel in Summer 2010, geared towards YAFs from Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore, and New England Yearly Meetings. She noted that the first Friends who began mission work in Ramallah were from New England Yearly Meeting and that this delegation would be a way to keep this long connection going amongst our young people. A Friend mentioned that being a Quaker in conflict situations is very different than being a Friend outside of one.

13. Several committees reported on their work thus far. Nominating Committee is still discerning who to nominate to NEYM M&C. Snacks Committee is going on another snack run this evening and requests that Friends give a \$3 donation and more if led. The Super Secret Committee discussed the logistics of their task.

Epistle Committee reviewed the themes that they are considering for the epistle: our discussion of community expectations; our interest group on spirituality and sexual ethics; our experiments in worship; our dinner with Jan Schrock from Heifer Project; and the Yearly Meeting's discussions of the FUM personnel policy, same-sex marriage, and ministry to and intervisitation with FUM. The Epistle Committee will post a draft of the epistle before Wednesday morning. A Friend reminded the Epistle Committee that it shouldn't feel responsible to for recording what we've done this week; the important part is how the Spirit is moving through us rather than the great things we did this week.

14. We approved minutes from 8/1 and 8/2 business meetings.

15. Holly Baldwin (Mide) announced a conference in Kenya in December being led by the Young Quaker Christian Association, a group of Kenyan YAFs. Friends from North America are invited to attend. Holly Baldwin is attending the gathering as part of a small delegation from FGC. NEYM YAFs can go as well. Holly also mentioned that this would likely be the last Business Meeting for Holly as a YAF.

We closed with waiting worship.

Wednesday, August 5, 2009

16. We opened our business session with silence and brief introductions.

Visitors included Debbie Humphries (Hart); Chloe Grubbs-Saleem (MTob); and Hannah Monroe (Prov). Debbie Humphries, 'holder of the volunteer clipboard,' offered especial thanks to the YAF role in the NEYM volunteer workforce.

Derek Lamson came to us from West Hill Friends in Northwest YM, carrying a concern to spread the message of Christian Peacemaker Teams (CPT). Derek spoke about the mission of the CPT generally, and also spoke about his own experience with CPT in Hebron. He especially testified to the power of CPT blending faith with action into a radical Christianity.

17. The meeting approved minutes from August 4.

18. We then heard a report from the Epistle Committee. Friends offered several suggestions, many of them revolving around hopes that the vibrant ministry of YAFs regarding spirituality and sexual ethics be fully and clearly articulated. The epistle was returned to the committee with a request that it come back, with revisions, at a later meeting. The meeting expressed gratitude for Ian Broome and all the members of the Epistle committee.

19. Nominating committee reported that Will Jennings's name has come forward to be the second YAF voice on the YM Ministry & Counsel. The meeting joyfully accepted this nomination, voicing unified affirmation for Will's gifts of ministry.

20. Meeting heard reports from the visitors to JYM, JHYM, and childcare. We heard a request to hold Kimberly Walker-Gonçalves in the light.

The meeting ended with silence and brief announcements.

21. Friends reconvened later in the afternoon and gratefully heard and approved a final draft of the YAF epistle. The meeting closed with prayerful song.

Minutes of the Young Friends of New England Yearly Meeting

Saturday, August 1, 2009

1. Meeting for business opened with a moment of silence. Lillie Catlin (Hart) briefly explained the process of meeting for business, noting the importance of participation from all Young Friends to keep the meeting moving along.

Lillie then introduced “secret fairies” where Friends drew a name from a box to secretly grace one another with kindness.

2. Nora Spicer (B Hill) spoke to the significance of Nominating Committee for her as well as its importance in the wider Young Friend community. Friends were reminded of Nominating Committee’s time commitment. Names for nominating committee were suggested and the slate was approved as: Alana Horton (Nham), Nora Spicer, Brian Sargent (Worc), Sam Gant (B Hill), Helen Carpenter (B Hill), Peter Chynoweth (Con), and Maria Smith-Lachman (Port).

3. Friends who were new to arrive introduced themselves to the group. Meeting for business then closed with a moment of silence.

Sunday, August 2, 2009

4. Meeting for business opened with a moment of silence. The clerk asked all visitors to introduce themselves: Dody Waring (Well), Ruah Swennerfelt (Burl). Ruah Swennerfelt spoke to us about the Copenhagen gathering on world climate change and asked Young Friends to sign postcards that will ultimately be sent to President Obama.

5. A formal invitation for the YAF’s inviting them to our dance party was presented for approval by Kate Murray (B Hill) and Kristin Sprague (Smith), including in it the importance of respecting the YF commitments while there.

6. Clerk Lillie then asked friends to brainstorm retreat themes for the 2009/2010 retreat year.

7. Friends that are new to arrive introduced themselves to the group.

The clerk then introduced the committees and explained what each involved.

- Retreat planning committee: Russell Weiss-Irwin (Camb), Beckie Cogbill (Plain), Briana Halliwell (Vass), Anna Schonwald (Dov), Abby Kelly (NSho), Nils Klinkenburg (Fram), and Kimberly Allen (Dur).
- Dance committee: Kevin Victoriano (Hart), Chelsea Fardelmann (Dov), Elias Borne (Camb), Ian Bussiere-Nichols (Port), Brita Gove (Prov), Ben Martin-Mooney (NHav), Bridget Riley (Well), Tiana Withers (Keen), Aimee Belanger (Wport), Allon Dubler (Wport)

- Coffee house: Tiana Withers (Keen), Chloe Grubbs-Saleem (MTob), Mike Wood (Stor), Evan McManamy (Ames), Peter Cook (Camb), Adrienne Solenberger [Bellingham FM (WA)], and Christine Little (B Hill)
- Epistle: Nora Spicer, Kate Monahan (NHav), Alana Horton (Nham), Peterson Toscano (Hart), and Jonah Erikson (Mon)
- Intervisitation: Polly Attwood (Camb); Kate Monahan, Chelsea Fardelmann, Robin Carpenter (B Hill) to visit Childcare; Helen Carpenter, Zoe Bogus (Prov) to visit κ-2; Grace Ethier (Fram), Beckie Sprague (Smith) to visit 3-6; Haley Fardelmann (Dov), James Rider (Matt) to visit Junior High; Kate Murray, Kristin Sprague, Hannah Monroe (Prov) to visit YAFs: Nora Spicer, Kevin Victoriano to visit the adult meeting.
- Munchies: Cole Wilmerding (Put), Eli Sprague (Smith), Maria Smith-Lachman (Port), Raven Gruber (Hart), Dylan Anderson (FKen), Allison Joyal (Sand), Liz Stillwell (Mon)
- Games: Russell Weiss-Irwin, Annie Wright (Put), Alana Horton, Erica Martensen (Put), Peter Cook, Hannah Monroe, Nathan Broaddus (Port), Honor Woodrow (Fram), and Erica Shed (Vass).

Meeting for business then closed with a moment of silence.

Monday, August 3, 2009

8. Meeting for business opened with a moment of silence. Minutes from the previous business meeting were read and approved.

9. Clerk, Lillie Catlin, asked all visitors to introduce themselves: Moselle Burke (B Hill), Nora Catlin (Hart) Martha McManamy (Ames) and Emily Wright (Put) from Junior High YM; Zachary Kronisch (Stor) and Anna Radocchia (Ben) from Young Adult Friends; Emily Carr (Dur), Katchene Kone (Wport), Branwyn McDowell (N Lon), and Mackie Burpee (Well) from Junior YMs; as well as two new friends to our YF community: John McKeon (unaffiliated) and Jules Galusha (Iowa YM Conservative)!

10. Retreat Planning committee then presented the themes for next year's retreats. October's will be in Portland with the theme of Service; December will be in Wellesley with the theme of Race & Racism; Midwinter will be in Grotonwood with the theme of Quakerism; March will be in Mt. Toby with the theme of Music/Expression; April locations are TBA—the Gender retreats (sexuality and relationships); May will be in Hartford with the theme of Mind & Body Renewal.

The Retreat Committee returned to more explicitly explain specific ideas for the retreats. Friends added their input for each retreat but asked retreat planning committee to reevaluate and present again tomorrow.

11. Nominating committee then passed out paper to write names of Friends we feel led to serve the community through service on this years Ministry & Counsel (M&C). Nominating committee will take these names into consideration.

Clerk asked for announcements and closed with a moment of silence.

Tuesday, August 4, 2009

12. Meeting for business opened with a moment of silence. Minutes were read from the previous business meeting and were approved.

13. Alma Sánchez-Eppler (Nham) gave a brief introduction to the Woolman Semester, a program she was involved with last year. She urged friends to take pamphlets and talk to her if they are interested.

Jules Galusha presented a unique epistle from his YM, Iowa Conservative.

14. Retreat Committee returned to present a similar, but revised slate. With little time for discussion, Friends happily approved the new retreat list as follows:

October's will be in Portland with the theme of Music/Artistic Expression; December will be in Wellesley with the theme of Race & Racism; Midwinter will be in Grotonwood with the theme of Quakerism; March will be in Mt. Toby with the theme of Sexuality & Relationships; April locations are TBA—the Gender retreats; May will be in Hartford with the theme of Mind & Body Renewal.

15. Nominating Committee then requested to discuss the *Crier* with YFs. They questioned the need for it; whether or not *Crier* editors needed to be on M&C; and lastly if anyone felt led to be *Crier* editor. Friends felt the *Crier* was an important part of Young Friends, but did not feel like the job should be forced upon anyone. Furthermore, Friends did not feel like it was necessary for the *Crier* editor to be on M&C.

16. Clerk asked visitors to introduce themselves: Eileen Cummings (Win), Dylan Stellpflug (Dur). Dylan Stellpflug then spoke to Friends about Friends Camp, for all people potentially interested in being either a camper or staff person. Meeting for business closed with a moment of silence.

Wednesday, August 5, 2009

17. Meeting for business opened with a moment of silence. Intervisitation committee reported on the business meetings that they each attended.

18. Nominating Committee prefaced their report by saying that all choices made from “nom com” came from a worshipful and centered place. Nominating Committee’s vision of M&C is to be a bridge between Young Friends and RP’s, be a variety of ages, have a mixture of humor and seriousness, be able to sense concerns of the community, provide pastoral care, and have both the potential but also already be demonstrating leadership.

Nominating Committee outlined their process of selection and spoke to the qualities that they were looking for and how each name on the slate fit these qualities. Many friends voiced their thanks to Nominating Committee for the time, energy, and attention they put to the discernment of the slate.

Friends presented a few concerns but overwhelmingly thought that the slate was a wonderful representation of the YF community. The slate was approved as: clerk—Mike Wood; recording clerk—Evan McManamy; at-large M&C members—

Kate Murray, Alma Sánchez-Eppler, Abby Kelly, Beckie Sprague, Peter Cook, Chloe Grubbs-Saleem, Shani Hines (Hart), Ian Bussiere-Nichols, and Raven Gruber.

19. Alana Horton and Anna Schonwald (Dov) volunteered as *Crier* editors and Friends approved them, but felt like the selection of *Crier* editors next year may be different. Friends discussed the possibility of having the *Crier* be electronic, but no consensus was reached.

20. Clerk Lillie Catlin asked visitors to introduce themselves. Andrew Thompson (Smith), Diane Randall (Hart), Ben Guaraldi (B Hill). Meeting for worship closed with a moment of silence.

Thursday, August 6, 2009

21. Meeting opened with a moment of silence. Emily Kelsey (Port) and Kristina Johnson (Dur), both young friends traveling in Kenya, sent us a report on their stay at the Kakamega orphanage.

22. Minutes from the previous day were read and approved.

23. Kevin Victoriano and Nora Spicer reported on their visit to adult business meeting, as did Chloe Grubbs-Saleem and Hannah Monroe on their visit to Young Adult Friends.

24. Epistle Committee presented a beautiful epistle/poem which was greatly affirmed and approved by friends.

25. Alana Horton reported about the plan for the *Crier* (including an electronic aspect), and the work that has already begun. Meeting for business closed with a moment of silence!

Minutes of the Junior High of New England Yearly Meeting

Sunday, August 2, 2009

1. First the nominating committee nominated JLynn Erikson (Mon) and Acacia McDowell (NLon), to be the clerk and recording clerk, respectively. Then we asked for approval, and we approved.

2. Then we decided who would be on the epistle committee and visitation. We chose, for the Epistle Committee: Laura McManamy (Ames), Christine Hamilton (Fram), Anna Lindo (Fram), Cameron Jack Humphries (Hart), Caleb Smith (Con). For visitations we chose Hannah Baker (West), and Lisa Gorham (Nhav) for childcare; Zoe Young (Fram) and Harrison Haines (FPon) for JYM κ-2; August Umholt (Ames), Leanna Knatt (FPon) and Anna Lindo for JYM 3-6; Nora Catilin (Hart), Emily Wright (Put) for Young Friends; and Isaiah Grace (B Hill) and Pheobe Hogue-Rodley (Camb) for the Adult meeting.

3. Panel sign ups: Nancy Shippen (FPon)—Prison Neighbors founder who works with prisoners; Janet West Schrock—from Heifer International talking about worm farms; Alma Sánchez-Eppler (NHAm)—a Young Friend who went on the Quaker Pilgrimage to Ireland and England; Lisa Graustein (B Hill)—Teen meditation; David Ehrens (Wport)—Jewish faith/Palestine conflict peace builders; Philip Raines (Dur)—pastor at Durham Friends Meeting, this year's keynote speaker, talking about "subverting the dominant paradigm."

Tuesday, August 4, 2009

4. Visitors were introduced: Haley Fardleman (Dover) and James Rider (Matt).

We heard group visitation reports from Nora and Emily who visited Young Friends; Hannah and Lisa who visited childcare, Isaiah and Pheobe who visited the adult meeting; Harrison and Zoe who visited κ-2, Anna and Leanna and August who visited 3-6.

Acacia McDowell then read the epistle from Southeastern Yearly Meeting.

Wednesday, August 5, 2009

5. We opened with the lap game and a moment of silence. Then the Epistle Committee read their epistle for approval, we had a few corrections for them, but all in all we did approve.

6. Acacia read the epistle from North Pacific Yearly Meeting.

Then Buddy Baker-Smith, a staffer for Junior Highers talked to us about a concern about helmets and other safety gear; that we should wear helmets for bikes and wear shoes for scooters. We all agreed that everyone should use his or her best

judgment and talked about next year having a representative go down to the JYM Wheels Committee and get a copy of the guidelines and then they would apply for the beginning of next year so there wouldn't be anytime without proper safety.

Minutes of the Junior Yearly Meeting grades 3–6 of New England Yearly Meeting

Sunday, August 2, 2009

1. Temporary clerks, Margy Carpenter (B Hill) and Carol Baker (West), introduced the agenda and answered questions from the group. The clerk described the roles of various positions for which the group needs to nominate individuals (clerk, recording clerks, Nominating Committee, representatives to other NEYM groups, Epistle Committee, and Wheels Committee). The group divided into small groups to begin the process. Each group had a chance to nominate individuals for each role.

The clerks re-read the names to the large group for consideration. The Nominating Committee will review the group's nominations for the approval of the 3–6 business meeting.

2. Volunteers were taken to visit other programs within NEYM and to report back to the 3–6 business meeting on what other groups are doing. The Representatives are:

- Childcare: Katya Dyer (Camb), Katherine Hamilton (Fram), Karin Sprague (Smith)
- κ-2: Stefan Walker (NHam), Cassie Schiffman (Prov), Ada Grace Windwalker-Cook (Fram), Amy Lee-Vieira (West)
- Junior High: Abby Fortune (Dur), Lydia Umholtz (Ames), and Theresa Oleksiw (Dur)
- Young Friends: Branwyn McDowell (NLon), Moselle Burke (B Hill), Katchene Kone (Wport), Mackie Burpee (Well), and Martha McManamy (Ames)
- YAFs: Roy Veatch (FPond), Jesse Grace (B Hill), and Lisa Forbush-Umholtz (Ames)
- Adults: No representatives will be sent to this group this year.

Additionally, we had volunteers to be Guest Representatives. These are people who will help guests to our business meeting to find a seat and to take their names accurately for the minutes: Lydia Umholtz, Elizabeth Davidson-Blythe (NSho), and Larissa Correia (Wport)

Meeting was closed with a moment of silence.

Monday, August 3, 2009

3. New JYM'ers, Aidan Salzando (Prov), Julia Lee (NHav), and Tessa Lee (NHav) were introduced.

4. Nominating Committee, consisting of: Elizabeth Davidson-Blythe, Quinn Nortonsmith (NHap), Moselle Burke, Saya Norton (Act), John Wright (Put), and Roy Veatch reported to the business meeting on the following nominations:

- clerk of business meeting: Nathan Kantt (FPon)
- recording clerks: Katherine Hamilton, Ada Grace Windwalker-Cook

These nominations were approved by the meeting.

5. The clerk Nathan Kantt took the chair and continued the meeting, Katherine Hamilton and Ada Grace Windwalker-Cook took over as recording clerks.

6. The Nominating Committee continued reporting:

- Epistle Committee: Roy Veatch, Lydia Umholtz

The final nominating committee report was approved, including the representatives for visits to other age groups at NEYM.

7. Visitors were introduced: Beckie Sprague (Smith) and Grace Ethier (Fram) from Young Friends; August Umholtz (Ames), Leanna Kantt (FPon) from JHYM; Charlotte Fardelmann (Dov), and Patsy Shotwell (Well) from the adult business meeting.

The meeting closed with a moment of silence.

Tuesday, August 4, 2009

8. The representatives to Junior High reported: they said it similar to Junior Yearly Meeting. κ-2 will have a report for tomorrow.

The Young Friends representatives reported also. They said Young Friends were planning retreats in a business meeting. Young Friends were also discussing that their relaxation retreat the previous year was not relaxing enough.

Representatives to the YAF program reported that they will have their report for tomorrow.

The Childcare representatives reported back to the business meeting, reporting that the children were involved in many activities and were very happy. Their written report follows.

The room was wonderfully organized and sectioned into separate areas for library, complete with blankets and books, construction area filled with bins of colored, wooden blocks, and a fantasy area with small pop up rooms you could climb through. We didn't peek into the baby room because they were attempting to begin naptime. Soon it was time for the children to go outside and a long yellow rope with a dozen attached loops spaced one foot apart was brought out. Each child was asked, with enthusiasm, "to get on the bus!" When they each had a loop, together "the bus" moved as one and they went out of the room, down the hall and safely outside where we saw them sit on the grass and each get a snack.

9. Wheels Committee reported. They said they approved all rules and added two more: Stopping at Intersections and Use of Hand Signals. Stopping at intersections was not approved. There was a long discussion but the Wheels Committee compromised by saying you can just slow down or stop at stop signs. This matter was taken

back to the committee for further consideration. They also changed the title from Bike Rules to Wheeled Vehicle Rules. This was approved.

10. The Wheels Committee suggested we use hand signals and this suggestion was approved.

11. The Wheels Committee finalized the rule regarding stopping. The approved rule was: Slow down, look, and stop if necessary.

12. We had two visitors: Nat Shed (Vass) from Friends Camp and Patsy Shotwell (Well) from the adult business meeting. Meeting was closed with a moment of silence.

Wednesday, August 5, 2009

13. Minutes from Sunday and Tuesday were read to the group and approved.

14. The representatives to other groups talked about why they like their job. They said it was a good new job to do.

Representatives to the κ-2 groups reported back. The children were playing outside when the visit occurred. Some of the children were playing tag, some were playing jump rope, and a little boy was playing with Gretchen Baker-Smith (Wport). After speaking with the staff members, we learned that the children would be playing parachute games with Kevin Lee (Wport) next.

15. The Epistle Committee reported and read their rough draft. They said they would have a final draft for tomorrow's business meeting.

16. The Wheels Committee had no new business to report, but concerns were raised about bike and scooter safety. The group was reminded to slow down when entering the townhouses, and to walk their scooters and bikes over the bridge. The Wheels Committee then announced that they would be posting the new Wheels Rules at the beginning of Sessions 2010. Concerns regarding golf carts were also mentioned.

17. Representatives to the YAF program reported on the YAF meeting for business. Meeting was closed with a moment of silence.

Thursday, August 6, 2009

18. Minutes from Monday and Wednesday were read and approved by the meeting.

19. The Epistle Committee read their final draft of the epistle that was approved by the meeting.

20. Announcements were given. Meeting was closed with a moment of silence.