

Bloomington Monthly Meeting Religious Society of Friends

Peace, Earthcare & Social Concerns Committee Charge

Mission:

To further Friends' testimonies of simplicity, peace, integrity, community and equality and their connection with restoring and protecting our natural environment and all of its life forms.

Job Duties:

1. To study and inform the Meeting on world, national and local events and situations in the Light of Friends' beliefs and testimonies.
2. To provide guidance to the Meeting on actions we might take corporately or individually to address the concerns our studies raise about environmental and social events and situations, including opportunities for environmentally and socially responsible lifestyle choices, purchasing decisions, land-use practices, and witnessing by word and deed to our beliefs and testimonies.
3. To arrange programs and invite speakers for discussion of peace, environmental issues and social concerns and for training programs when appropriate.
4. To act as a liaison with Friends Organizations (e.g., American Friends Service Committee, Friends Committee on National Legislation, Indiana Friends Committee on Legislation, Quaker Earthcare Witness) as well as with international, national, state and community organizations pursuing similar goals.
5. To coordinate volunteers for Community Kitchen one Saturday a month.
6. To ensure delivery of Meeting donations to Monroe County United Ministries.
7. To advocate for appropriate environmental planning for a sustainable, earth-friendly Meetinghouse and grounds, including landscaping of the grounds consistent with their designation as a Backyard Wildlife Habitat.

Terms and Dates of Service: Starts July 1 and ends June 30; may be reappointed annually.

Selection Process: Nominated by the Nominating Committee and approved by the Monthly Meeting.

Membership: At least six. One member is usually a liaison to AFSC, another liaison to FCNL, a third liaison to Quaker Earthcare Witness.

Budget Considerations: The Clerk will submit a budget request to the Clerk of the Property & Finance Committee by the last day of September each year.

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