

Ministry & Worship Committee

The Ministry and Worship Committee watches over the spiritual life of the Meeting by nurturing the Meetings for Worship, whether First Day, Business, Marriage or Memorial Meetings. The committee endeavors to strengthen the spiritual life of the Meeting and deepen the spiritual life of individuals within the Meeting community.

Membership: six members of Meeting, each serving for three years, with two rotating off each year.

DUTIES:

Be sensitive to the quality of the silence and of the spoken ministry in the Meeting for Worship. Committee members should encourage those who are developing gifts of ministry and counsel those who need to show more discrimination.

Encourage private worship, meditation and devotional reading. Encourage study groups and spiritual sharing groups. Solicit articles for the Miscellany on aspects of Friends' faith, practice and worship.

Assist in the clearness process for establishing Worship Groups and new Meetings for Worship, nurturing those under our care, arranging to visit them as frequently as possible.

Arrange focused pot lucks once or twice a year on issues that come out of worship or the life of the Meeting and arrange threshing sessions as necessary. Consider other activities (such as retreats) that would foster the spiritual health and growth of the Meeting.

Make available an updated version of the newcomers' handout, which describes our faith, our manner of worship, and the particulars of Boulder Meeting.

Nominate two members for the Nominating Committee each year.

Report on and recommend the release of funds to the outside organizations that Ministry and Worship Committee is assigned to review, such as Friends World Committee for Consultation.

Pay attention to the long range planning of the Meeting, in particular to the numbers of those attending Meeting for Worship and the size of the Meetinghouse. Also pay attention to how the committees are functioning, whether they are fulfilling their function within the corporate structure and whether the members of the committees are satisfied within their work on the committee.

9. Organize a retreat with Oversight and Membership biannually or as needed.