

Notes from Shoemaker Grant Meeting (in-person at Meetinghouse) – 5 February 2024

Chaired by Jen Karsten

Stakeholders:

- Members/attenders
- Descendents/burial grounds
- Direct neighbors
- UD Historical Commission
- Schools, Maple Glen, Carson Valley, events (garage sales, other events)
- Animals/nature
- Helping Hands (Fort Washington group)
- AQM and PYM

To-do/Stop-do List:

- Business meetings focus on physical plant needs (less spiritual focus)
- Hard to build committees
- Issues carry over/list gets longer

Purpose (*each person's reason for coming to Meeting/wanting to enhance Meeting*):

- New home. Welcoming! Spiritual enrichment.
- Very quiet Meeting (one of the quietest?)/comfortable silence.
- Historical and family bond.
- Member of Millville attends here after relocating from Bloomsburg.
- Part of the thread here over time (before/after).
- No idea why. Spiritual needs met here. Welcoming. Ex-Catholic.
- Feel at home. Welcoming people, peaceful feeling. Junior Friends Conference.
- Horsham member since 1952. Came by herself, how welcoming. U&R. Carson Valley.
- Raised Catholic. At home spiritually in the quiet. Diverse group but like-minded. First Day school. Welcoming/warm, comes from Blue Bell.
- Evolutionary because came with parents to Germantown, Gwynedd, Chestnut Hill Meetings. At university 5 years, quiet contemplation.
- Quality of worship. People had appealing character values. Likes quiet atmosphere.
- Worship in community. Opportunity to still our minds.

Outcome (*each person's thought about duration strategic plan should encompass*):

- 3 years (4 votes)
- 3.5 years (1 vote)
- 4 years (4 votes)
- 5 years (2 votes)
- Mean is 4.1 years

Timeline (identify who, what and when):

- Heading only, did not address.