Supervisory Committee

Proposal for BYM's making decisions between Interim Meetings

Friends are asked to **consider for approval** the ideas outlined below.

Background:

The ad hoc Healthy Organization and Purposeful Evolution (HOPE) Committee turned responsibility for discerning the way forward for BYM to make decisions in the time between Interim Meetings to the Supervisory Committee.

The minutes of June 2017 Interim Meeting read:

"We reaffirmed the language in the Manual of Procedure which empowers the Supervisory Committee, between meetings of the Interim Meeting, to 'act upon urgent matters not involving policy nor of such importance as to justify a special session of the Interim Meeting. All such actions are to be reported to the Interim Meeting at its next session.' We directed Supervisory Committee to consider and report to our next Interim Meeting on whether change is needed in this area." (bold added)

In response to this request, the Supervisory Committee had discussions about how decision-making would work best, and how in fact decisions have been made in recent years. From this, we agreed to bring forward additions to our current charge that would clarify the decision making process.

Recommendation: Supervisory Committee's current charge with the added language in *italics* is as follows expresses:

"In addition, this Committee carries out such duties as the Interim Meeting specifically assigns to it, and between meetings of the Interim Meeting, may act upon urgent matters not involving policy *changes* nor of such importance as to justify a special session of the Interim Meeting. *In such cases, Supervisory Committee will call upon relevant committees, officers, staff, or other Yearly Meeting stakeholders to season the matter, and to together make a decision*. All such actions are to be reported to the Interim Meeting at its next session. "

If Friends approve, we will forward this language to the Manual of Procedure Committee.