

Quaker Call Steering Committee Roles

The Quaker Call Steering Committee plans and arranges for all Quaker Call activities (e.g. National Zoom calls, Maintenance of a Website, Correspondence with a large email list regarding concerns and opportunities for the Quaker Call. (See mission and Steering Committee roles statements below.)

- **Current Nature of Quaker Call Events**

- National Zoom calls may be action focused with featured speakers
- National Zoom calls may be pastoral with a focus on worship / sharing
- Quaker calls include U.S. Quakers and Quakers Abroad
 - Non-Quaker invites pending further exchange
- Steering Cmte open to support other quaker initiatives; these could include resistance

- **Steering Committee Clerk**

- Clerks all Steering Committee meetings
- Holds responsibility to keep committee work moving forward
- Meets regularly with the Steering Committee and Quaker Call elder (Marian Beane)
- Serves as host for Zoom events (shared with other Steering Committee members)

- **Treasurer**

- Maintains a simple accounting
- Pays Quaker Call bills – primarily based on IT needs
- Lead for fund raising (current estimate ~ \$300/month)

- **Website Manager**

- Timely maintains website
- Records files on website – maintain history (e.g. uploads audios, videos, documents)
- Supports IT implementation as necessary
- Works with Correspondent as necessary

- **IT Manager**

- Handles event registration
- Emails Quaker Call announcements (e.g. send Zoom link)
- Manages Zoom sessions (current experience is < 500 attend an event)
 - Includes silencing participants if needed, opening and closing chat, etc.
 - Can include additional helpers, as needed
- Saves Chat and video recordings for website and distribution
- While not currently used, implementing breakout room capability
- Registration and event security – e.g. domain registration and protection (the options are pending further review)

- **Correspondent**

- Maintains Quaker Call email list
 - Includes endorsers of Call, former Event registrants and participants
 - List currently is 3,000+
 - Monitor list to remove duplicates
- Responds to inquiries and messages with assistance from clerk
- Handles external communications, coordinated with clerk
 - Includes communication associated with an event

Quaker Call Mission

The Quaker Call to Action provides an online space for Friends across the country to come together for worship, support, and learning that encourages discernment of spiritually grounded nonviolent actions in response to the movement toward an authoritarian takeover of our federal government.

The Dual Roles of the Quaker Call

Activist Roles

- Our original Urgent Call to the Religious Society of Friends and our Updated Call urged Friends to search for their leadings to act in these times.
- We have offered resources for Friends to learn from skilled leaders about possible actions to take.
- We encouraged and supported Friends in “swing states” to organize prior to the 2024 election so that they could work locally around key concerns.
- We have maintained a website with many resources, including recordings of our “resource” sessions, which Friends have found to be useful, i.e., U.S. Friends in Europe.
- We have spoken out about the serious harms and spiritual wrongs being done by many U.S. political leaders and including the movement toward an autocratic takeover of our democracy.
- We have emphasized the necessity of spiritually grounded nonviolent action.

Pastoral Roles

- Provide a safe space for Friends to come together to know that they are not alone in their concerns.
- Provide evidence and examples of both activist and spiritual grounded energies, Our worship and witness are of the same root.
- We have welcomed conversations about the current political realities. and enabled Friends to hear one another’s voices.
- We have offered national worship around our deep concerns.

For more information, go to the Quaker Call website www.quakercall.net