

Paying for Conferences, Training etc. March 2014.doc

YORK AREA QUAKER MEETING CONFERENCES, TRAINING AND ASSOCIATED EXPENSES

1. Area Meeting will reimburse the cost of role related conferences and training, and associated travel expenses, of anyone holding an Area Meeting appointment. No further authorisation from Area Meeting is required. Training and Conferences for Elders and Overseers should be funded by their Local Meeting.
2. Area Meeting will reimburse the cost of directly relevant Conferences and Training and associated travel expenses for Clerks and Treasurers of AM; and for up to two Trustees per year. No further authorisation from AM is required.
3. Travelling expenses for such 'role-related' events will normally be paid at no more than the cost of a standard rail fare. If someone decides, for personal reasons, to drive to an event then mileage allowance may be paid at a maximum of 40p per mile but amounting to no more than the cost of a standard rail fare. No further authorisation from Area Meeting is required.
4. However, if attendance at an event is impractical, other than by car, then the standard mileage allowance of up to 40ppm is payable.
5. Where a member or attender is formally nominated by AM to attend an event, their reasonable expenses will be met by the Area Meeting. However, before such a nomination can be considered by Area Meeting, the cost of the event and associated travel costs must be notified to the Treasurer and the AM Clerk at least a month before the Area Meeting at which the nomination will be considered.
6. Friends and attenders wishing for financial support to attend a Conference abroad or study tours to QCEA or QUNO, who are not official AM representatives, must make application to the Treasurer in good time so that their request maybe considered at Area Meeting. Written support from a Clerk, Elder or Overseer in their local meeting should accompany such a request for funding, and an indication given of the cost of the event, the amount sought by way of funding, and the closing date for applications for the event. Funding of such an event up to £250 can be granted at the discretion of the AM Treasurer, AM Clerk, and two Trustees. Over that amount the approval of AM will be required.

Lee O'Neal, Treasurer YAQM March 2014 Quakers/YAQM Finance

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