

Policy for
Red Cedar Monthly Meeting
Use of Building and Grounds

The Red Cedar Meeting House is intended primarily for use as a place of worship. As Quakers we understand everything in our lives as living in worship and structured by the Quaker testimonies of Peace, Equality, Simplicity, Stewardship, and Integrity.

Our Monthly Meeting considers the Meeting House as a tool to carry our Quaker Testimonies into the greater community. Therefore, it is our responsibility to be proactive in seeing that it is as fully used as possible.

1. As far as possible, Red Cedar building and grounds use will be prioritized as follows:
 - a. Use for the Meeting as a whole (for example: Meeting for Worship, Meeting for Business, Meeting for Healing, Meeting for Peace, Potluck, members' wedding, baby namings, and memorial services)
 - b. Use by Meeting committees, other Quaker groups and Quaker organizations.
 - c. Use by members of the Meeting
 - d. Use by tenants.
 - e. Rentals to non-profit groups and individuals (not members of meeting.)
2. Groups whose objectives are contrary to Quaker Testimonies will not be allowed to use Red Cedar building and grounds.
3. There will be no alcohol, smoking, or gambling allowed anywhere in the building or on the grounds.
4. A responsible person with authority to act for the Meeting will be available while the building is in use.
5. Keys will be managed by the Building and Grounds Committee.
6. Fees for use are established by the B&G Committee and reviewed yearly.
7. For-profit activities will not be allowed use of Red Cedar Building and Grounds.
8. No elected or official candidates for office in local, state, or national elections will be allowed use of Red Cedar building or grounds for campaign purposes such as fundraising or rallies.
9. Under special circumstances, Meeting for Business may consider exceptions to these policies on a case-by-case basis.

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Building and Grounds Committee Charge

Approved April 2007

(4 people)

The Building and Grounds Committee is charged with stewardship of our building and land so that it serves as a witness to the Quaker testimonies, nurtures the Red Cedar community, and supports our neighbors. Its charge includes:

- Developing policies and guidelines for the use of the building and grounds, to be approved by Meeting for Business, and assuring they are followed.
- Scheduling and managing the use of our property for activities of Red Cedar Monthly Meeting and other community organizations.
- Assuring routine care and maintenance of our property including annual review and implementation of the Due Care Plan.
- Advising Meeting for Business of the necessity for any major building infrastructure investment.
- Scheduling volunteer opportunities, including work days, for the meeting house and grounds.
- Working with other committees to consider donations of goods and services to the Meeting.
- Overseeing the part of Meeting's budget which pertains to the committee's charge, as directed by Monthly Meeting.
- Maintaining accurate working records of its work and ensuring those records are passed along to the next Building and Grounds clerk.

The committee is encouraged to ask for help from meeting members in carrying out these responsibilities.

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