

Members gather online.

Board Members Present: Donnal Walter, Bob Estes, Matthew Bryant, Maylee Rollins, John Coffin, Ellen Brown, Mariam Parray, Kwami Abdul-Bey, Maya Uwaydat

Not present: Caleb Baumgardner, Martha Beck, Hamid Ebrahimifar, Jane Estes, Jackson Evans, Nora Malhi, Monroe (Josh) Mayfield, George Simon,

Sharing updates from Board Members: Several members dealing with medical issues within their families; Cards asked for Tina Coffin; 6106 Shamrock Dr, Little Rock, 72205, who suffered heart attack on Memorial Day evening; Ellen recovering from hospitalization, but doing fine; Bob recovering from covid19, while Jane is still dealing with covid19 symptoms. Kwami had car wrecked when a tire from an 18-wheeler hit his car (had to leave meeting early).

Donnal called meeting to order at 6:09pm

- Donnal and John have been discussing how to get started to Alternatives to Violence Project... some groups (e.g. Pax Christi) may want “miniature workshops” to get an idea of the scope of the meetings. Material is on: [ACPJ/site/AVP](https://www.acpj.org/site/AVP) (linked to Peace Week site). Pax Christi wants the program as a Chapter meeting.... Where they would have ACPJ go into their meeting and conduct the workshop. Would this be a chance to invite other groups and include? What about the Boys Club?
- Ellen finished reading “Bleeding Out” – a book about urban violence, and felt it was well-researched and found it compelling  
<https://pyramidbooks.indielite.org/book/9781541645721>  
Kwami mentioned that a 2-hr documentary was made about the book: can be watched on Youtube:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5LX7NRq-Y8w>  
Would be good to do screening of the documentary; have discussion; perhaps share free copies of the book with some panelists. Can partner with Pyramid Books...
- Bob and Matt collected contacts at Music in the Park; Matt and Jen went to a Bonnie Rait concert and also collected contact info. We need to find easier way to collect this information and one subject to less transcription error. Bob will work on this issue.
- Donnal working on content management system for website: WordPress (nearly half of websites) and there are different themes, page-builders, etc... to choose from. Donnal would like small group that would work on the major decisions and then involve more from Board or other groups to provide feedback. Would do most of the work by email. Bob asked about the type of content that would be involved. Front page includes Mission Statement; viewable on a mobile device; including affiliate members – who would allow their content to be reached from the website; calendar/schedule; links to Facebook and other social media; Bob suggested porting over the content that currently exists, then go from there to add more content. Keeping same domain... development thus far is on [acpj.us](https://www.acpj.us).... should keep [apeaceandjustice.org](https://www.apeaceandjustice.org)

domain. Donnal will send out email to Board and several contacts to solicit volunteers (volunteers: Bob, Ellen volunteered). Current website format is Site builder program from Network Solutions (host).

- Last revised in 2015; some revisions have been discussed (Bob sent those out today). Need to revise them, and then submit to General Membership meeting. Bob will create Google sheet and send it out for further comments. Could discuss and finalize this at future meeting.
- Reviewing Mission Statement also; perhaps create “bullet points” for use in social media; perhaps longer discussion for certain uses. Could also have Vision Statement. And also more complete detail/clarity also... include statement as to what ACPJ does as an organization (umbrella of groups). Donnal shared some of the preliminary work on changing the format to one that would work well on a mobile device. Some areas need to be worked on to marry the content from the old page; Some may like the “spinning” boxes format and some may not like it.
- Bob asked whether WAND mentioned anything about planning a Hiroshima event?
- Ellen asked about decARcerate conference; Ellen wants to go and help coordinate the tabling for ACPJ. ACPJ has made donation, and could solicit at this meeting (during Peace Week).
- Ellen shared that she will run for Little Rock City Board. Has learned a lot thru her service on a Commission, but wants to do more... Will be running against a 16-year incumbent (Ward 6), so will be a challenge. Several expressed their support of her upcoming candidacy.

-Bob presented the Treasurer’s Report:. Doing well. Ellen acknowledged the report. .

<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>5/13/2022</b>		<b>11598.42</b>
<i>Type</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Description</i>	SUM of Amount
Expense	Flyer	Printing	-\$107.86
	Knitting	Food	-\$92.73
	Operations	PayPal Fee	-\$1.49
		Zoom	-\$16.28
	Spring Gathering	food	-\$94.94
Expense Total			-\$313.30
Income	Dues	dues	\$50.00
Income Total			\$50.00
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>-\$263.30</b>
Closing Balance	<b>6/27/2022</b>		<b>\$11,335.12</b>

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm.  
Respectfully submitted, Elder Matt Bryant, Secretary