

Minutes for FF of Cedar Rapids/Iowa City Board Meeting January 19, 2014 @ Marion Heritage Center

Members Present: Tressa Youngbear, Dianne Karal, Ester Hudson, Marian Wetjen, Dale Moore, Dick Hildebrand, Vic Klopfenstein, Pat Klopfenstein and Alice Wilkinson.

Minutes were tabled to correct Treasurer's report on budget.

Treasurer's report: Was tabled until Stephanie can be there to present them.

Proposed budget for 2014: Tressa Youngbear and Stephanie Schulte got together and worked on a budget for the coming year. After much discussion and some changes, it was moved by Alice and seconded by Vic that the budget be approved. Motion carried.

Friendship Force of Cedar Rapids/Iowa City	
Budget for 2014	
Income	
Membership Dues	\$2,150.00
Professional Programs	\$1,500.00
Merchandise Sales	\$200.00
Fundraising	\$2,000.00
Misc.	\$-
Income Total	\$5,850.00
Debits	
Membership Dues to FFI	\$861.00
FFI donations	\$1,250.00
Office Expenses	\$200.00
Website	\$60.00
Activities Committee	\$479.00
Annual Meeting	\$300.00
Communications Committee	\$500.00
Conferences	\$2,000.00
Misc.	\$200.00
Debit Total	\$5,850.00

Diane moved and Vic seconded to raise our donation to FFI to \$1250.00. Motion passed.

Communications: Vic reported that he is working on setting up meetings to promote the club and has one set up at Kirkwood. He is looking for more opportunities so contact him with any ideas.

Membership: Marian Wetjen reported that we have 84 members and all dues have been paid. Marian recommended we call old members who dropped their membership to see if things had changed in their life where they would like to rejoin again.

Exchanges: Incoming Oregon, May 14-20 in planning stage-Audrey Bradford ED
Outgoing Cincinnati, July 21-27- Steve Williams ED
Incoming Japan stopover, June 11-13-Trish Kaiser & John Giegerich EDs
Outgoing Sacramento, October 15-21, a long way off but interest shown by 13 people already-Marian Wetjen ED

Fundraising: Moore's will be gone for 6 weeks in Feb and March. They have merchandise but will get it to someone else before they leave. They will be here to do the Feb. newsletter but not in March.

Goals: Tressa prepared a sheet with goals for the club. She passed it out and asked that all board members study it. We will discuss it at the next board meeting on March 2.

Open World: Tressa is working on the Open World budget justification.
Vic reported that we have an incoming Open World Group from Russia, February 28-March 8. There will be 5 ambassadors and the facilitator. The theme is "Governance".

The meeting date changes that were discussed at the last board meeting have all been approved by the Heritage Center.

Road Rally Committee: Nancy Miller, Mike Karal, and Shirley Rosencrans

Working Guidelines: The working guidelines are a list of votes that help rule our operations and get lost in the minutes. Tressa will take out duplications and just for information items and put them at the end of the bylaws.

Publicity: World Friendship Day meeting will be on March 2 at 1:30 pm. Dessert will be served. The meeting will include presentations by the visiting Russians. The club will be doing publicity to invite the general public, which will also give us an opportunity to promote the club. The plan is to put promotional material in the Gazette, the Penny Saver, Marion paper, Tidbits etc.

L.E.O.: Esther is working at finding hosts for the remaining L.E.O meetings. It is suggested to charter a bus to the state fair for our August L.E.O.

World Conference: A discussion was held on sending any delegates to the World Conference in New Zealand. It is felt that sending more people to the US conferences has more value for the club. Dianne motioned, Marian second not to send any member to the World Conference in New Zealand. Motion passed.

The next board meeting will be at 1:00 on March 2 prior to World Friendship Day meeting at the Marion Heritage Center.

Motion to adjourn - motion passed.

Approved at board meeting 3/2/14