

Cedar Rapids/Iowa City Friendship Force
Board Meeting
June 10, 2012

Present: Pat Klopfenstein, Vic Klopfenstein, Dave Detwiler, Dianne Karal, Richard Hildebrand, Veda Hildebrand, Will Mickelson, Marion Wetjen, Cheryl Moore, Steve Williams

1. Minutes of April 15 meeting were read and approved.

2. Treasurer's report-sent by Dale Moore: General Account \$14,408.06

Exchange Account 4,372.14

Cash Total \$18861.70

Tot Net worth \$18870.20

3. Web Site- Our Club Profile on the FFI website has been updated-check it out! We can use the FFI web master to help update our club website. Veta will Chair, Dianne agreed to work on it with any one else that would like to volunteer.

4. Annual Meeting- Attendance

2010= 50

2011= 40

The meeting will be held Nov. 18

Motion made by Steve, 2nd by Veta to have Vic and Dave choose between The Clarion Hotel and Prairie Hill Pavilion for the site, based on price. Motion Carried.

5. July 15 meeting. The next general meeting will be held at the Marion Heritage Center at 2 PM. Dr. Brian Darrow and Dr. Vic will present the program on Africa.

Idea- "Containers and Content". Bring an item wrapped to conceal the container and the contents. Bid on the items as a fund raiser.

Treats-ice cream by Dairy Queen or as presented by Vic

Iced tea by Vic

Coffee by Will

6. 2013 Regional Conference

7. 2014 Regional Conference- Do we wish to host either or both?

Both were tabled for more information. The club will be asked at the general meeting July 15.

8. Outbound International Exchange 2013-Dave has requested that FFI confirm the Malang, Indonesia exchange. The Bandung, Indonesia club has not confirmed a second week

9. Exchanges

a. Uganda- This planned fall 2012 exchange has been cancelled. Only 5 firm commitments were made by June 1.

b. Themed Exchange 2013- A committee meeting was held June 3. The themes are art, architecture and agriculture. The exchange will be hosted by three Iowa clubs and would

be hosted by our club Aug. 1 or 2 to August 8. The overall exchange will be Aug. 1 or 2 - 16 and conclude at the Iowa State Fair. Sedhalia of the Central Iowa club is overall ED. FFI needs a proposal for the exchange by July, 2012

c. Mystery Exchange- is coming soon. Fun activities are planned by ED Phyllis Seidl.

d. Other Exchanges

2012:

1. Cincinnati- Domestic in-bound August 10-16, Meskwaki Pow-Wow Aug. 11th State Fair Aug 13th.

2. St. Louis- Domestic out-bound. Sept. 29- Oct. 1.. The exchange is full. Audrey Bradford is ED.

3. Niagara- International in-bound. Oct. 21-28. The ambassadors will be hosted by Lincoln Oct. 14-20. ED- Dianne, Asst. ED- Lynette Nuehring.

2013:

Out-

1. Houston Feb. 24-March 2

2. Indonesia – TBD

3. Virginia- Oct. 9-16

IN-

1. Sacramento-May

2. Themed Exchange- Aug. 1-16

3. Fortaleza, Brazil- Sept. or Oct,

10. Tri Club Picnic- Sat. Aug. 18, 2012 from 1-4 PM at Stone City General Store.

Games, music, we furnish dessert.

Moved by Dianne and 2nd by Vic to provide \$100 for the event.

Motion Carried.

11. ED training- More training sessions will be provided.

12. Communications- Vic talked to Rotary at Elmcrest about FF and the Russian Exchange. Recent publicity on the Russia medical exchange appeared in the Anamosa Reformatory news

13. Exchanges. The chart of clubs and weeks available by FFI and in the CR/IC newsletter was reviewed. Personal contacts are crucial. We need to be proactive.

14. Membership- Now at 88

Meeting adjourned at 3 PM