Minutes for Friendship Force Board of Cedar Rapids/Iowa City Oct. 5, 2014, Hiawatha Library 2:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Tressa Youngbear at 2 PM with those present including: Veta Hildebrand, Marian Wetjen, Esther Hudson, Will Mickelson, Karen Mickelson, Dianne Karal, Dale Moore, Cheryl Moore, Stephanie Schulte, and Steve Williams

- **1 Minutes:** On a motion by Steve, second by Veta, minutes of the July 13, 2014 were approved as corrected.
- **2. Treasurers Report**: As reported by Treasurer Stephanie:

General Fund Balance= \$10,167.37 Exchange Fund balance= <u>12, 469.59</u> Total = \$22,637.96

3. Committee Reporrts:

A. Communication: A talk, given to Rockwell retirees, was well received. Klopfenstein's were unable to attend today's meeting.

- B. Membership: Report by Marian: Year began with 86, now at 89. New members; Helen Hunter, Mary Ann and Larry Nelson.
- C. Exchanges: Dianne Karal reporting:

2015

OUT

Niagara Canada, June 3-10, Shirley Rosencrans, ED Oregon, Washington. July 15-21 ED Connie Williams, ED Lower Columbia WA, July 21-25 ED, TBD

IN

Chiapas, Mexico, Sept.-Oct, ED TBD Lansing MI, Between June 22 & 30, ED, TBD

World Conference, Vancouver, CA, Aug. 29-31

2016

OUT

Chiapas, Mexico, Sept.-Oct, 1 week, ED, TBD Costa Rica, Sept. 10-17, ED, TBD

IN

Lower Columbia WA, Dates TBD, ED, TBD

2017

OUT

Wessex, UK, Late June 2017, ED, TBD

Requests to be sent to FFI include Chiapas and Costa Rica.

Consideration will be given to requesting a Global and/or a Themed Exchange.

4. Newsletter

Due to travel, the Oct. and Nov. Newsletters will be combined.

5. Regional Meeting- Spring 2015, 40 host homes are needed.

6. Annual Meeting

Sunday, Nov. 17, 2014, Lowe Park, social 5:30 PM, dinner 6:30 PM, meeting 7:30 PM

Regional rep. Adrian Moen will try to attend to present an update on new initiatives by FFI.

Dinner: Catering by LJ

The Board decided on Chicken Supreme and either grilled pork chops or ribs, depending on the cost. Sides will be garlic mashed potatoes, and tossed salad, Dessert: assorted fruit pies.

Center Pieces: members will bring items from their heritage or from an exchange in which they participated.

Membership: Marian will have a table where members can renew membership.

July general meeting minutes will be mailed and presented at the meeting for approval.

7. **Nominating Committee-** Report-by Dale Moore.

To be elected at the Annual Meeting:

Co-Pres. Cheryl and Dale Moore

Pres. Elect: Mary Stull Secretary: Alice Wilkinson Treasurer: Stephanie Schulte

Appointments by Co-Pres.

Board Member Year 2: Esther Hudson; Year 1, co-directors Jean and Dean Thomas

Activities-Shirley Rosencrans

Exchange Coordinator-Connie Williams

8. Club By-Laws

Recommended changes to the by-laws were presented by the By-Laws committee and discussed and amended by the Board.

As moved by Stephanie, seconded by Dianne, and approved by the Board, the By-Laws as amended will be sent to the membership, as stated in the By-Laws, and voted on by the membership at the Annual meeting Nov. 17, 2014.

9. P.O. Box-

Tressa recommended the club rent a USPS box (3.5" x 5.5") at a cost of \$56 per year.

Moved by Steve, seconded by Stephanie, to approve a downtown PO Box Motion carried 5-2.

10. Dues -less than full Year

Dues for less than the full year were discussed. It was decided to add a provision to the Club Guidelines.

Moved by Dianne, seconded by Cheryl that club membership dues, for new members only, after June 1, will be 50% of the annual amount. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

As recorded by interim Secretary Steve Williams