

**Minutes for
Friendship Force of Cedar Rapids/Iowa City
General Meeting, March 22, 2015,**

The General Meeting was a potluck held at the Shueyville United Methodist Church. The very nice venue was arranged for us by Marian Wetjen.

Minutes: The minutes from the January 18th General meeting were approved on a motion by Bob and a second by Frank. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- a. Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved on a motion by Vic and a 2nd by Dick.
- b. We have a Cash Balance of \$13,756.38. The Exchange fund has a balance of \$3676.63. The club has funds totaling \$17,433.01.

Midwest Leadership Conference –April 30 thru May 2

- a. A potluck on Thursday, April 30 will be considered a General Meeting. It will be held at Prairie Oak Lodge, Squaw Creek Park at 5:30 PM.
- b. Friday night get-together at Brucemore. The cost for Brucemore is \$15 for drinks and appetizers. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- c. So far 27 people have signed up to attend.
- d. The President, President Elect and Jean Thomas from our club are attending the conference.

Committees:

- a. Membership: Marian reported a membership of 76 including 3 new members.

Exchanges:

- Moscow cancelled.
 - Niagara Outgoing-June 3-10
 - Lansing Incoming-June 22-28. Need home hosts for 14.
 - Oregon and Lower Columbia Outgoing, July 15-25. 16 going to Oregon, 3 more going on to Washington.
 - Chiapas, Mexico Incoming- Still no date set.
 - Incoming weekend exchange with Quad Cities Club, August 6,7,8 followed by an all club picnic.
 - Outgoing weekend Exchange with Central Iowa, Mid to late October in Ames.
- b. Matches received for 2016: Incoming Nashik, India in July; Outgoing Wessex England in May with possible expansion to Wales.

Open World Updates: Azerbaijan, May 15-23, Steve Williams. The May LEO will be held on Thursday night, May 21st in Stone City. It will also be a farewell party for our Open World Guests from Azerbaijan.

Next General Meeting April 30 at 5:30 PM at Prairie Oak Lodge, Squaw Creek Park at 5:30 PM..

Meeting adjourned.

Alice Wilkinson, Secretary