

**Minutes for
Friendship Force Board of Cedar Rapids/Iowa City
April 13, 2015, Home of Dale and Cheryl Moore
6:30 PM**

The meeting was called to order by President Dale Moore. Those present were: Dale and Cheryl Moore, Mary Stull, Marian Wetjen, Esther Hudson, Stephanie Schulte, Vic Klopfenstein, Pat Klopfenstein, Shirley Rosencrans, Jean Thomas, Dean Thomas, Alice Wilkinson and Connie Williams.

Minutes: The minutes from March 2nd meeting were approved on a motion by Steph and a second by Vic.

Treasurer's Report: As Reported by Stephanie:

- a. Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved on a motion by Alice and a 2nd by Dean.
- b. We have a Cash Balance of \$13,399.03 the General Account. The Exchange Account has a balance of \$7508.63.

President's Report:

- a. Midwest Leadership Conference Update: April 30, 9 AM thru May 2 1:30PM. 12 clubs in the Midwest Conference and every one of them will be represented by attendees.
- b. We are hosting the QC Club August 6-8 and need home hosts for 2 nights. There will be an All Iowa picnic Saturday, August 8 at Noelridge Park Shelter, 12-4. It will be catered with a charge of \$12 per person.
- c. It is proposed we visit the Central Iowa club the weekend of October 24 or 31st.
- d. It was proposed, as a thank you to our speaker at the March general meeting, that we send a check for \$50 to Youth for Understanding. Moved by Mary and 2nd by Connie. Motion approved.
- e. Mary Stull is going to work on a protocol to follow for future speakers.

Committees:

- a. Membership: Marian reported 78 paid members.
- b. LEO: Vic signed up for the Oct 8 LEO
- c. Exchanges:
 - Niagara Outgoing-June 3-10, 20 are signed up and paid.
 - Lansing Incoming-June 21st. They are coming in 2 vans. Connie is hosting a welcome reception and asks everyone to bring an appetizer.
 - Oregon and Lower Columbia Outgoing- Everything is set. 16 going to Oregon, 3 more going on to Washington.
 - Chiapas, Mexico Incoming- Not hearing back from them.

- Matches received for 2016: Incoming Nashik, India in July; Outgoing Wessex England in May with possible expansion to Wales but so far no clubs found in Wales.
- d. Communications:
 - Nothing set up right now. Looking into putting info on general Meetings in the Penny Saver.

Open World Updates:

- Azerbaijan, May 15-23, Steve Williams, with an Ag/business theme. A busy schedule is set up.
- Moldova Small town Mayors or Officials, October 2-10, Vic. We think it is still on.

LEO:

- May 21, Stone City, 6PM
- Thursday, Aug. 20, Bus to State Fair. \$40 includes ticket to get into fair. We will have a clipboard at the potluck for sign up for the Fair.

President Elect:

- a. Let Mary know if you have anything to add to the newsletter.
- b. Maximum and Minimum guidelines for exchanges. Our average is 20. We have done 15. FF considers 20-25 a full exchange.

September 13: Next General Meeting; place undecided.

Next Board Meeting August 3 at 6:30 PM at Moore's house.

Meeting adjourned.

Alice Wilkinson, Secretary