

**Minutes for
Friendship Force Board of Cedar Rapids/Iowa City
May 16, 2016 6:30 PM, Home of Mary Stull**

The meeting was called to order by President Mary Stull.

The minutes from the April 4, 2016 Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Stephanie and second by Alice.

Treasurer's Report-Stephanie

- a. The General Fund balance is \$11,608 and exchange fund is \$3,850.
- b. Treasurer's report was approved with corrections on a motion by Dean and a second by Marion.

Committee Reports

Membership: Marian

- a. Currently have 84 members. 6 new members, 4 have quit and 4 unpaid.

Activities: Shirley

- a. Will need help for the India exchange welcome and farewell. Dale will call.
- b. Next LEO is July 20th in Manchester to see whitewater park, brewery and eat at the Fireside Pub and Steakhouse.

Exchanges: Connie

- a. Twelve people are participating in the outgoing exchange to Wessex England June 5-12 (Marian Wetjen is ED)
- b. Incoming exchange from Nasik Riverside, India July 2-8. See Dale's review.
- c. Overnight exchange to Central Iowa Club (Ames) on July 1 & 17th. Will meet at 1 PM in Ames. (Jerry Burke ED)
- d. The outgoing exchange to the Quad Cities has been attentively set for August 4 to the 6th.
- e. The outgoing exchange to Lansing Michigan is at capacity. Will leave on Sunday September 11th and return on Saturday the 17th. (Audrey Bradford ED)
- f. Seventeen people have paid for the Crazy for Quilting. Seems to be going well. Plan is to visit Kalona October 1st, Grant Wood Stuff October 2nd and Amana on October 3rd. (Connie Williams ED)
- g. The outgoing 2017 exchange to Taiwan will be in November visiting the cities of Taipei and Kaohsiung.

Communications: Dale

Will present to a PEO Group. Will try to do a program for the Downtown Rotary Club. Will continue to try and get information on FF out to other Clubs, organizations.

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Open World Updates: Connie

Vic Klopfenstein has accepted the Ukraine group on secondary & higher education and innovation. No updates at this time.

President Elect: Jean/Dean

- a. Hope to get the newsletter out by the end of the week.
- b. Freedom Festival information is out and will try to get time to help as a fundraiser.

Presidents Report-Mary

- a. The Midwest and Great Lakes Conference was held April 29 to May 1 in Davenport.
Attendees reviewed the conference. The new President Snook attended and announced that the new web site will be friendlier and a new Friends Stories website is being developed.
- c. Next General Meeting is August 7th. Suggested program would be to have the ED's of the upcoming exchanges tell of people experiences. It will be at the Marion KC hall with hamburgers, hot dogs and a pot luck.
- d. We had previously voted to help with "Justice for Neighbors" dinner project. The group provides food for individuals that are at a meeting to help them with the citizenship application process. Our turn would be November 15th.
- e. The club calendar was reviewed and at this point in time is as stated.
- f. Club goals were briefly discussed and seem to be on target. We still need to inform new members how exchanges work and what happens.
- g. Next Leo will be June 25 at MJ restaurant in Marion starting at 9AM

Past President: Dale/Cheryl

- a. Nothing

The Legacy Award was discussed. Next Board Meeting is August 29th at Stull's.

Meeting Adjourned.

Jerry & Carol Burke
Secretaries