

**The South Florida Emerald Society, Inc.**

**Board of Directors' Meeting**

**Miami Yacht Club**

**Thursday, December 10, 2009 7:00 P.M.**

**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 7:20PM

In Attendance: Oliver Kerr, President, Janice McKay, 1st V.P., Jon Lindeman, 2nd V.P., John P. Doherty, Treasurer, Hugh A. Ryan, Secretary, Directors: Erin Ashley, Sean Ferrell, Bill O'Brien, Mary Gerhardt, Christopher Kelley, Judi Sherry, Joe McManus and Chuck Daley.

Excused absences: Dan Fitzgerald, Jeff Bailey, and Sean Glynn.

**Order of Business:**

**Secretary's Report:** H.A. Ryan-

**Motion** by Daley to approve November Minutes

**2<sup>nd</sup>** by O'Brien

**Motion carried**

Ryan explained that the condensed June 2009 Minutes were about to be delivered to the Board as directed at the November meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** J. Doherty

See attached report.

Description of certain accounts followed by a report on the 2009 Budget & welcoming suggestions on the upcoming 2010 Budget

**Motion** by Kelley to approve Treasurer's Report

**2<sup>nd</sup>** by McManus

**Motion carried**

**Committee Reports:**

**Christmas in Ireland-** E. Ashley

O. Kerr- This year's event was the best one yet. Congratulations to the entire Committee for a truly wonderful event.

E. Ashley- We were satisfied with the attendance. We all thought that it was a wonderful night and a great event. We would welcome all suggestions for the 2010 Christmas in Ireland event.

J. Sherry- I would suggest placing more emphasis on the raffle tickets. There is a lot of money there for the event.

C. Kelley- I suggest listing the prizes more clearly on the raffle tickets.

E. Ashley- Thank you. We will consider all suggestions leading up to next year.

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**Social Committee:** B. O'Brien-

Upcoming Socials:

**January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010-** Mike's at Venetia, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, downtown Miami

**February -TBD**

O. Kerr- I suggest that the Committee look into a social at Scully's in Kendall for February.

E. Ashley- I suggest the Brickell Irish Pub in downtown Miami.

O'Brien- the social committee will look into these possibilities and more.

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**Membership Committee:** J. Doherty for S. Glynn

New members for vote-

-Ryan Matthew Dooley - sponsored by J. Doherty

-Fr. James Fetscher- St. Louis Church- sponsored by D. Fitzgerald

-Richard Martin III- sponsored by Jack Thomsen- pending payment  
-Laura Edgeworth-sponsored by J. Doherty- pending payment

**Motion** to accept by J. McManus  
**2<sup>nd</sup>** by Kelley  
**Motion carried.**

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**Website/Big Mouth-** J. Doherty

See attached 2009 report

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**Shamrock News-** J. McManus

6 page draft of the latest issue is ready to send out soon. Look for it!

J. McManus- I have the bylaws of the Society and will send them to J. Doherty for distribution.

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**Health & Welfare-** O. Kerr

At J.B. Hourihan's funeral there were 5 Emerald's in attendance, in green jackets, paying their respects.

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**Unfinished Business-** O. Kerr

"Presidents Council" idea, proposed in detail at last month's meeting by E. Cooke will be tabled for any further discussion this month due to E. Cooke not being present.

**Good of the Order/Adjournment**

**Meeting Adjourned approximately 8:50 PM**

**Next Board Meeting January 14, 2010, 7:00PM at Miami Yacht Club**

**Respectfully Submitted**  
**Hugh A. Ryan**

