

The South Florida Emerald Society, Inc.
Board of Directors' Meeting
MINUTES
Miami Yacht Club
Thursday, May 12, 2011

Call to Order:

Pledge of Allegiance – Dan Fitzgerald
Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

In Attendance: Christopher Kelley, President, Hugh A. Ryan, 1st V.P., Mary Gerhardt, 2nd V.P., Judi Tierney Sherry, Rec. Sec., Dan Fitzgerald, Historian, Directors: Erin Ashley Sieber, Bill O'Brien, Sean Hayes, Don Harrington, Jr., Patrick Duffy and Kassie Doyle.

Guests: Joe & Barbara McManus, Billy Cameron, Mary Ann & Oliver Kerr and Ann Mc Shane

Excused absences: Past Pres. Janice McKay, Treas. John Doherty, Directors Jeff Bailey, Paul Reilly, Chuck Daley and Phil Morrissey.

Order of Business:

Good of the Order: – Pres. C. Kelley

Pres. Chris Kelley welcomed new Director, Cassandra Doyle.

Secretary's Report: - J.T. Sherry

Hugh Ryan presented the minutes he took at the April 7, 2011 Board Mtg.

Motion by S. Hayes to approve the April 7, 2011 Board Minutes

2nd by P. Duffy

Motion carried

Treasurer's Report: - Presented by C. Kelley in the absence of J. Doherty

See attached report.

Motion by D. Fitzgerald to approve Treasurer's Report

2nd by P. Duffy

Motion carried

Committee Reports:

Social Committee: M. Gerhardt for P. Reilly

Upcoming Socials:

*"FADO Irish Bar": Wed., June 22, 2011, 6:30 to 9:00 pm in Mary Brickell Village

*Pub Crawl scheduled for Fri., Sept. 16. Meet at Mia. Yacht Club at 6:00 pm, then board the shuttle at 7:00 pm. Visiting pubs in Brickell.

Cahir O'Doherty will be playing at "The Irish Times" in So. Miami on Fri., June 3, 2011, 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Also, Pat Duffy suggested

to look other locations in the north end of Miami for socials. K. Doyle volunteered to assist in helping find new locations.

Installation Dinner: J.T. Sherry

Will be held on Tues., May 24, 2011 at Jungle Island, 6:30 pm. Need more RSVPs as soon as possible. Last year we had 66 attendees. Contract with Jungle Island guarantees 60.

4th of July Parade: B. Cameron

Meet at St. Agnes Church by 9:00 am. Parade begins at 11:00 am. Tom Flynn has invited us again to the Key Biscayne Yacht Club after the Parade. J. McManus noted the decline in attendance over the past few years. The committee will rent the convertible. Camerons will bring the refreshments.

Christmas in Ireland Dinner: E.A. Sieber

The committee has chosen The Spanish Monastery in No. Miami Beach for the Dinner. Two dates are available: Dec. 1 or Dec. 8. The Committee will choose the date. The committee is comparing catering companies. Parking is free. See attached information sheet. A \$200. deposit is required. Discussion of the \$1500. raffle prize: Airline ticket or the money? Committee will decide.

Motion by D. Fitzgerald to approve the Spanish Monastery and the \$200. deposit for the Christmas in Ireland Dinner.

2nd by K. Doyle.

Motion carried.

Membership Committee: E.A. Sieber

Will call new members and sponsors re attendance at the Installation Dinner. The new members will be presented their Emerald Society pin at the Dinner. There are no new members to present this month.

Shamrock News: J. McManus

The latest issue will be sent to the Board and Directors, then to the rest of the membership upon the return of J. Doherty on May 17th.

New Business: O. Kerr

The St Patrick's Day Committee is sponsoring "Bloomsday" on Thurs., June 16, 2011. Will begin at 6:30 pm at Books & Books in Coral Gables, and will commence at JohnMartin's. There will be a Tea at the Coral Gables Library on Sat., June 11, 2011 at 3:00 pm.

Next Board Meeting scheduled for Thurs., June 2, 2011, 7:00 pm at the Miami Yacht Club.

Motion by M. Gerhardt to adjourn.

2nd by K. Doyle.

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Judi Tierney Sherry