

The South Florida Emerald Society
April 7, 2005
Miami Yacht Club
Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting was called to Order at 7:00 pm. Present were: Tom Dunn, Bill O'Brien, Dan Fitzgerald, Jim Cooney, John Doherty, Billy Cameron, Carroll Cameron, Dave Russell, Karen Dunn, Tom Lynch, Oliver Kerr, Mary Ann Kerr. Excused were: Joe McManus, Michael O'Connor and Judi Sherry. A quorum was established.

Order of Business

The Order of business was adopted.

President's Report

Tom Dunn led the Board in the salute to our flag. Tom Dunn announced the new Board and turned the meeting over to our new President, Carroll Cameron. Billy Cameron welcomed everyone including Karen Dunn as the stand in secretary for the meeting. Tom Dunn was appointed to write down the Directives. Pres. Cameron read the prior Directives. Pres. Cameron asked about the tax file returns. The Treasurer, Dave Russell, reported that the process is proceeding according to IRS regulations. Pres. Cameron asked if the Board wanted a general meeting on the By-Laws: Board decided the review is "not necessary".

Membership Committee – John Doherty

Comm. sent a letter to members that haven't paid dues – only two responses.

Membership cards have been issued.

New Members:

Name	Sponsor	Status
Antonia Boyle	John Doherty	Active
Maria Regan	John Doherty	Active
J.L Plumber, Jr	Billy Cameron	Active
Katrina Anderson	John Doherty	Active
James Crystal	John Doherty	Active
Phillip Reilly	John Doherty	Active

MOTION: Moved by Jim Cooney; seconded by Tom Dunn to accept.

Motion Passed.

Big Mouth could be used to a larger audience; we should use it more. Bill O'Brien questioned whether the directory stays as is or should it change each year. Board decided it should be updated yearly.

MOTION: by Jim Cooney to upgrade the directory each year after the installation of officers. Seconded by Dan Fitzgerald. Motion withdrawn.

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MOTION: by Jim Cooney to print the Directory each year after the Installation and to include all paid up members from the previous year only and all the new members. Seconded by Dan Fitzgerald. Motion Failed. Vote: 3 for and 4 against.

MOTION: by Tom Dunn that beginning a year from now (April, 2006), the same motion as above. Seconded by Dan Fitzgerald. Vote: 4 for and 3 against. Motion Passed.

4th of July Parade

Billy Cameron asked if anyone would take over the food for the Parade; no-one volunteered; Billy will handle.

Social Committee

Bill O'Brien announced the next social is on Wednesday, April 27 at Joe Healey's.

Christmas Dinner

Deferred until the next Board Meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Judi Sherry

CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
4/27/05 Grill	Social	Hurricane Bar &
5/5/05	Board Meeting	Miami Yacht Club
5/25/05	Installation Dinner	Parrot Jungle
6/16/05	Bloomsday	Books & Books
7/4/05	4th of July Parade	Key Biscayne