

**The South Florida Emerald Society, Inc.**  
**January 4, 2006**  
**Miami Yacht Club**  
**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by President Carroll Cameron. Present were: President Carroll Cameron, First Vice President Bill O'Brien, Second Vice President Mary Ann Kerr; Asst. Treasurer John Doherty; Historian Oliver Kerr; Recording Secretary Judith Sherry, Immediate Past President Tom Dunn, Board members Dan Fitzgerald, Billy Cameron, Karen Dunn, Pat Novak and Tom Lynch. Guest Kathleen Foley Schmatt attended. Board members John Cosgrove and Joe McManus were excused. A quorum was established. Dan Fitzgerald led the salute to the Flag.

**Order of Business**

The agenda was distributed.

**Secretary's Report – J. Sherry**

December minutes were accepted as amended.

**Treasurer's Report – J. Doherty**

-The Assistant Treasurer presented several detailed reports that are attached to the minutes.

-MOTION by M.A. Kerr, seconded by B. O'Brien, for negotiation with Coral Gables County Club for Christmas Time in Ireland Dinner in Dec., 2006. PASSED.

-MOTION by T. Dunn, seconded by D. Fitzgerald to purchase 2006 Quicken program for monthly treasurer reports and tax preparedness purposes. PASSED.

**Committee Reports**

**Celtic Cultural Series** – O. Kerr for J. McManus

-The "Wren Boys" will be presented at John Martin's on Sunday, Jan. 8, 2006.

-St. Bridget's Cross history will be presented at John Martin's on Sunday, Feb. 4, 2006.

**Social Site** – B. O'Brien

-January social will be held at the Tuscany in Coconut Grove on Thursday, Jan. 26, 2006.

-February social possibly at Joe Healy's or John Martin's.

-MOTION by P. Novak, seconded by D. Fitzgerald, to host a social at the Miami Yacht Club. PASSED.

**Membership, Website, and Big Mouth Committee** - J. Doherty

-Five new applicants (see attached). Applicant Richard Dewitt (sponsored by Donald Slesnik) MOTION by T. Dunn, seconded by P. Novak to accept Dewitt membership. PASSED.

- Larry Furlong renewal letter approved.
- Letter to Susan Dannelly letter approved.

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Website has been updated. See attached report to minutes. J. Doherty requests all information for the website be e-mailed to him for entry.

Big Mouth report attached to minutes.

**Newsletter, Communications** – O. Kerr

More pictures contained in the Newsletter discussed, and approved by the Board.

**Health and Welfare**

**Sean Hayden’s wife gave birth to twins! M.A. Kerr to send congrats card.**

**Unfinished Business**

- FL Arts Database discussed. MOTION by P. Novak, seconded by O. Kerr **not** to subscribe. PASSED.

**New Business**

- Kathleen Foley Schmatt presented information reference the Irish Peace Institute Reception to be held on Thursday, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> at the Coral Gables Country Club. \$50. per person for the Reception, \$75. per person for the Dinner. DIRECTIVE: M.A. Kerr to arrange a meeting with Marge Hartnett and Kathleen Foley Schmatt reference the Reception.
- Nominating Committee established: Carroll Cameron, Dorothy Kane, Judith Sherry and Michael O’Connor.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2006**

**Calendar**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Place</b>
1/08/06	Celtic Cultural Series – The Wren Boys	John Martin’s
1/25/06	Irish Peace Institute Reception	Coral Gables Country Club
1/26/06	Social	Tuscany Restaurant
2/2/06	Board Meeting	Miami Yacht Club

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Respectfully Submitted,  
Judith T. Sherry