

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

**Board of Directors' Meeting  
Miami Yacht Club  
Thursday, July 10, 2008 6:30 P.M.**

**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 6:48PM

In Attendance: Jon Lindeman, 1<sup>st</sup> V.P., Janice McKay, 2<sup>nd</sup> V.P., Treasurer John Doherty, Secretary Hugh A. Ryan, Historian Dan Fitzgerald, Directors: Mary Gerhardt, Chris Kelley, Judy Sherry, Bill O'Brien, Sean Ferrell, Bella Kelly, Joe McManus, and Jan Paris. Also in attendance were members: Carroll Cameron, Billy Cameron, Barbara McManus, Sean Glynn, Chuck Daly and Ann McShane.

Excused absences: Oliver & Mary Ann Kerr (in Ireland).

**Order of Business:**

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

Minutes of June Meeting were reviewed. Corrections noted.

**Motion** to approve minutes is carried.

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

Financial Reports submitted for review

Presented to Board by J. Doherty

See attached

**Motion** to approve Treasurer's Report is carried.

Doherty reports that 28 unpaid members on the list will now be removed from the membership list

**Motion** by McManus to roll over full amount of CD (Principal & Interest)

2<sup>nd</sup>- C. Kelley

Motion Passed

## **Committee Reports:**

### **Membership Committee: Carroll Cameron**

**Report:** Dick O'Connell, who has been ill for 7 months, is now doing better.

**Motion** by McManus to send a Good Wishes card to O'Connell  
2<sup>nd</sup> Cameron  
Motion Passed

**Delinquent members:** Deadline for payment of dues is tomorrow July 11.  
Previously, there were 68 delinquents, as of this meeting there are 28.

C. Cameron- We will send invoices with directories to all members.

S. Glynn & B. Kelly have been appointed to the membership committee.

### **Possible Membership restructuring:**

New membership category recommendations are to be presented to the Board of Directors at the September meeting by the Membership Committee, then, possibly sent to By-Laws Committee. All suggestions are to be sent to the Membership committee by phone or e-mail. All suggestions are welcome.

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### **Social Committee: Bill O'Brien**

Upcoming Socials:

July 24<sup>th</sup>, Novecento, Brickell,  
August 24<sup>th</sup>, Sunday afternoon, Maurice Grondin's Residence 2355 South  
Miami Avenue  
September 25<sup>th</sup>, Joe Healey's Hurricane Bar & Grill, Miami Springs

### **Key Biscayne 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade Report- Carroll Cameron:**

A success! However next year we need more kids, grandkids, little ones!!  
The food was all eaten up.

**Motion** by McManus to send Louis Clark \$100 to help pay for the Antique Fire Engine used in the parade.

2<sup>nd</sup> Gerhardt

After further discussion,  
Previous motion was withdrawn.

**Motion** by C. Kelley to present Louis Clark with two tickets to “Christmas in Ireland” Dinner as a sign of the Society’s appreciation for the use of the Fire Engine in the parade.

2<sup>nd</sup> Sherry

Motion Passed.

**Christmas in Ireland- Gerhardt:**

No Report

**Doherty-** We are officially committed to the space & the band.

Rusty Pelican, Rickenbacker Causeway, December 11, 2008

\$75 per ticket

Dublin City Ramblers will perform.

Hopefully 200 tickets to be sold.

**Installation Dinner 2009- McKay:**

We need a form a Venue Committee to find a new location for the dinner, perhaps a location more centrally located to the bulk of the membership

**Emerald Shirts**

Gerhardt will meet with shirt company regarding new Emerald Shirts. Will have a report at the September meeting.

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**Cultural Series- Lindeman**

Bloomsday- Called one of the “Best Attended Events”; there were great write-ups & photos in the Miami Herald and Coral Gables Gazette.

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**Website/Big Mouth- Doherty**

Website & Big Mouth is available for Society Uses- all committees need to take advantage of this service.

Website- up to date- no problems to report

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**Shamrock News- B. McManus**

We need photos. We will gladly send out photos of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade & members Ireland vacation photos.

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**New Business:**

**Motion** by B. Cameron to waive the current dues of Martin Lynch, of JohnMartins Pub.  
2nd- B. Kelly  
Motion Passed

S. Ferrell to communicate with the Miami Yacht Club as to the arrangement of future Board meetings.

**Good of the Order/Adjournment**

**Meeting Adjourned approximately 8:20 PM**

**Next Board Meeting September 11, 2008, 6:30 PM at Miami Yacht Club**

**Respectfully Submitted  
Hugh A. Ryan**