

The South Florida Emerald Society, Inc.
Board of Directors' Meeting
MINUTES
Miami Yacht Club
Thursday, March 1, 2012

Call to Order:

Pledge of Allegiance – Dan Fitzgerald

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by 1st VP, Hugh Ryan

In Attendance: Christopher Kelley, President, Hugh A. Ryan, 1st V.P., Mary Gerhardt, 2nd VP, Judi Tierney Sherry, Rec. Sec., John Doherty, Treasurer, and Dan Fitzgerald, Historian. Directors: Bill O'Brien, Sean Hayes, Dave Russell, Kassie Doyle. Guests: Richard Welch, Joe and Barbara McManus. Excused absences: Directors Pat Duffy and Erin Sieber.

Order of Business:

Good of the Order: – Pres. C. Kelley

Secretary's Report: - J.T. Sherry

J. T. Sherry presented the minutes of the Feb. 2, 2012 Board Meeting. Motion by K. Doyle, seconded by D. Fitzgerald, to accept the Minutes of the Feb. 2, 2012 Board Meeting. **Motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report: - J. Doherty

Discussion of the 2012-2013 budget. Discussion of each committee's budget. Suggestion that we have a "Marketing Committee". Motion by S. Hayes, seconded by D. Fitzgerald, to accept the proposed 2012-20123 budget. **Motion carried.**

Committee Reports:

Social Committee: No report as P. Reilly was absent.

Christmas in Ireland Dinner: K. Doyle

K. Doyle reported that the Committee has scheduled their wrap up meeting for next week. The Committee is accepting suggestions for locations for next year's event.

Membership Committee: Pres. C. Kelley

Pres. Kelley presented one application for membership from Robert Ahern, Jr. Heritage from County Cork, Ireland. Sponsor: Christopher Kelley. Motion by H. Ryan, seconded by K. Doyle, to accept R. Ahern, Jr for membership. **Motion carried.**

C. Kelley and J. Doherty reported there are 113 unpaid members. Discussion and list of members calling unpaid members was completed by the Board and C. Kelley.

Installation Dinner: J. Sherry

J. Sherry reported the Installation Dinner will be held on Wed., May 23, 2012, 6:30 pm, at Jungle Island. Cost is \$40. Per person. Invitations will

be mailed the middle of April. It will be encouraged for members to call their sponsored new members.

Shamrock News: J & B. McManus

The Newsletter will be sent out this week. It will include asking for suggestions for our Christmas Dinner venue.

Nominating Committee: D. Fitzgerald

D. Fitzgerald reported that the Committee did not spend the budgeted \$100. He distributed the results of the election:

Hugh Ryan = President; Don Harrington, Jr = 1st VP; Sean Hayes = 2nd VP; John Doherty = Treasurer; Kassie Doyle = Rec. Secretary; Dan Fitzgerald = Historian. Directors (3 year term) are: Hugh Ryan, Judi Tierney Sherry, Sean Ferrell, Noel McManus, Joe McManus, Richard Welch.

Big Mouth Committee: J. Doherty

No report.

By-Laws Committee: Pres. Kelley

No report.

Audit Committee: S. Ferrell and S. Glynn

No report.

Health & Welfare:

No report.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Next Board Meeting scheduled for Thurs, April 5, 2012, 6:30 pm, at the Miami Yacht Club.

Motion by K. Doyle, seconded by S. Hayes, to adjourn.

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Judi Tierney Sherry