

**The South Florida Emerald Society, Inc.**  
**Board of Directors' Meeting**  
**MINUTES**  
**Miami Yacht Club**  
**Thursday, Sept. 1, 2011**

**Call to Order:**

Pledge of Allegiance – Chris Kelley  
Meeting called to order at 6:50 pm

In Attendance: Christopher Kelley, President, Hugh A. Ryan, 1<sup>st</sup> V.P., John Doherty, Treasurer, Judi Tierney Sherry, Rec. Sec., Dan Fitzgerald, Historian. Directors: Bill O'Brien, Paul Reilly, Dave Russell, Don Harrington, Kassie Doyle, Erin Sieber, Phil Morrissey, Sean Hayes and Bill Cameron. Guests were Joe and Barbara McManus.

Excused absences: 2<sup>nd</sup> V.P. Mary Gerhardt, Past Pres Janice McKay, and Directors Jeff Bailey and Pat Duffy.

**Order of Business:**

**Good of the Order:** – Pres. C. Kelley

**Secretary's Report:** - J.T. Sherry

J. T. Sherry presented the minutes of the July 7, 2011 Board Meeting.

**Motion** by H. Ryan, seconded by K. Doyle to approve the July 7, 2011 Board Minutes.

**Motion carried**

**Treasurer's Report:** - J. Doherty - See attached report.

**Motion** by D. Harrington, seconded by K. Doyle, to approve the Treasurer's report. **Motion carried**

J. Doherty also reported that he distributed the "Membership Pulse Survey" for the Membership Committee via e-mail, as well as utilized our Big Mouth.

**Committee Reports:**

**Social Committee:** P. Reilly

J. Doherty reported for M. Gerhardt that two buses are sold out for The Pub Crawl, which is scheduled for Fri., Sept. 16, 2011. Meet at Mia. Yacht Club at 6:00 pm, board the shuttle at 7:00 pm. Visiting pubs in Brickell.

The Oct. 13, 2011 Social will be held at the Miller Ale House in Coral Gables.

The Nov. 10, 2011 Social will be held the Waxy O'Connor's on the River (in Brickell)

**Christmas in Ireland Dinner:** E. Sieber

See Attached report. Correction on the catering company: It is being catered by "Sara Sharpe Catering, Inc." B. O'Brien is checking on the liquor liability insurance for the evening and handle with Erin. D.

Harrington asked if there is a price a child's ticket. Erin will discuss at her Committee meeting and respond at the next Board Meeting.

**Membership Committee:** E. Sieber

New applications:

1. Shauna Doyle de Brun. Is employed by Whitney International.  
Sponsor: K. Doyle.
2. Megan Walsh. Is employed as a lecturer at U of Mia. Family from Donnegal. Sponsor: E. Sieber.

**Motion** by B. O'Brien, seconded by H. Ryan to accept both applicants for membership. **Motion carried.**

E. Sieber also announced that the Membership Pulse Survey is due Sept. 7, 2011.

**Shamrock News:** B. McManus

Barbara asked for everyone to please e-mail photos from the upcoming Pub Crawl for the next Newsletter.

**New Business:**

**Lucky Charms Group:** E. Sieber

Discussion of the meet-up group. Discussion of advertising cost of \$19. per month. **Motion** by H. Ryan, seconded by S. Hayes to discontinue the \$19. per month internet advertising of the Lucky Charms, and instead, advertise via FaceBook. **Motion carried.** **Motion** by K. Doyle, seconded by D. Fitzgerald, to reimburse Erin for the two months cost of \$19. per month for the internet advertising of the Lucky Charms Group. **Motion carried.**

**Health & Welfare:**

B. Cameron reported that Past Pres. Tom Flynn suffered a fall in his home and was treated at Mercy Hospital for a week. He is now home. J. T. Sherry will send a Get Well card from the Emeralds.

Pres. Kelley reported that J.T. Sherry and he attended the funeral of Robert Reilly earlier in the day.

**Next Board Meeting scheduled for Thurs., Oct. 6, 2011, at 7:00 pm, at the Miami Yacht Club.**

**Motion** by H. Ryan, seconded by S. Hayes, to adjourn.

**Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

**Respectfully Submitted by:**  
**Judi Tierney Sherry**