

**South Florida Emerald Society, Inc.**  
**Board of Directors' Meeting**  
**Miami Yacht Club**  
**Thursday, September 3, 2009 at 7:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

**Call to order**

Meeting called to order at 7:10 PM.

Present: President, Oliver Kerr, First Vice President, Janice McKay, Second Vice President Jon Lindeman, Treasurer John Doherty, Historian Dan Fitzgerald. Board Members present were Erin Ashley, Joe McManus, Mary Gerhardt, Christopher Kelley, Chuck Daley, William O'Brien, Judi Sherry, Jeff Bailey and Sean Ferrell, Mary Ann Kerr, Barbara Mc Manus, and Sean Glynn. Absences: Jeff Bailey, Dave (Skip Russell) Secretary, Hugh Ryan, Pat Novak.

**Order of Business**

**Secretary's Report –Hugh Ryan**

Motion carried to accept minutes of July as amended. Joe Mc Manus amended to make commeration at the installation dinner. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dan Fitzgerald. Motion carried.

June minutes tabled until next meeting.

**Treasurer's Report – John Doherty**

. **Motion:** by Joe Mc Manus, 2<sup>nd</sup>- Dan Fitzgerald, the Board directed the Treasurer to buy letterhead and envelopes from Fla. Design. Motion carried. Financial report accepted.

**Committee Reports**

**Christmas in Ireland: Erin Ashley**

**Prizes:** \$1500 airline voucher purchased on Aer Lingus effective Dec. 2 for one yr; 3 days/2 nights at Glenard Ct Castle Hotel in Mayo, \$200 Euro voucher at Clontarf Castle/Dublin – donated by Ann Mc Shane – 1 RT tkt anywhere on Air Canada – a basket of cheer donated by Oliver and Mary Ann Kerr. Others are encouraged to donate or buy raffle tickets \$10 ea or 6 for \$50. Guarantee 175 dinners.

**Social Committee: Bill O'Brien** Sept. social: Pub Crawl - (Friday, September 18) starting and ending at the Miami Yacht Club. Will be directed where to park at the Yacht Club. Present wristbands at Clark's, Finnegan's, Playwright, Waxy's on South Beach. May come for Yacht Club only. UM buses (thanks to Pat Novak) 57 Paid + Piper. Motion to limit to 2 buses made by Joe Mc Manus, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Kelley, carried. \$250 budget: Hors d'oeuvres at Yacht Club and Playwright. Oct social proposed for Finnegan's on the river.

**Membership: Sean Glynn**

New chair appointed by President. Mary Ann Kerr resigns her position as director on the Emerald Board. Judi Sherry nominates Sean Glynn to fill the position originally vacated by Bella Kelly. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Fitzgerald. Motion carries. New Member: Motion carries to accept Edward E. Walton III as a member sponsored by Bill Gregory. Note: Muhamed Ali is Irish.

**Recommendations:**

**Website and Big Mouth: John Doherty**  
**Big Mouth/Website – Online application**

**Shamrock News: Joe and Barbara McManus**

**Health and Welfare – Mary Ann Kerr**

Thank you from Patricia Kelly re her mother; Peter O’Connell very sick.

**New Business, Unfinished Business**

- Dave Russell to provide Jeff Bailey with information on 501(3)(c) status
- Motion by Joe Mc Manus to put by-laws on web site, PDF, members section only. Carries
- Motion by Dan Fitzgerald 2<sup>nd</sup> Judi Sherry for a letter from treasurer to the Dolphins to transfer titles. Motion carries.
- Dan Fitzgerald reminds board that Tom Wilson, Commodore, responsible for our meeting at the Miami Yacht Club.
- Support JohnMartin’s 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations – see web site. CL doing publicity.

**Good of the Order/Adjournment** - Adjournment was called at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Janice Mc Kay