

The South Florida Emerald Society, Inc.

**Board of Directors' Meeting
Miami Yacht Club
Thursday, April 7, 2011 7:00 P.M.**

Minutes

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting called to order at 7:20PM

In Attendance: Christopher Kelley, President, Hugh A. Ryan, 1st V.P., Mary Gerhardt, 2nd V.P., John Doherty, Treasurer, Dan Fitzgerald, Historian, Directors: Chuck Daley, Joe McManus, Erin Ashley, Dave Russell, Bill O'Brien, Paul Reilly, Phil Morrissey, Patrick Duffy, Don Harrington Jr., Sean Hayes

Guests: Barbara McManus, Billy Cameron
Excused absences: Secretary Judi Tierney Sherry, Jeff Bailey

Order of Business:

1sr VP H.A. Ryan began the meeting for President C. Kelley

Joe McManus tendered his resignation from the Board of Directors

Secretary's Report: H.A. Ryan-

J. McManus took minutes for the last meeting in March

Motion by Gerhardt to approve March 2011 Minutes

2nd by S. Hayes

Motion carried

Treasurer's Report: -J. Doherty

See attached report. All balances

Motion by H.A. Ryan to approve Treasurer's Report

2nd by Fitzgerald

Motion carried

President's Report: - C. Kelley-

A great welcome to all and especially our new board members: D. Harrington Jr., P. Reilly, P. Duffy, P. Morrissey, S. Hayes

We now need to fill two openings on the board

Let's look forward to a great year!

Committee Reports:

Social Committee- P. Reilly-

Upcoming Socials:

April 20th-Irish Times- South Miami

May- Installation Dinner- Parrot Jungle

Ideas-

E. Ashley- we should have a Brickell Irish Pub crawl- there are now three or four Irish Pubs in the Brickell area.

E. Ashley- we should also organize “meet up” events- a loosely organized addition to our regularly scheduled monthly socials.

P. Reilly- Cahir O’Doherty will return in early June, maybe we can get something together for a social

M Gerhardt- The ½ way to St. Patrick’s Day Pub Crawl will be on Fri. Sept. 16th this year

C. Kelley- Ideas for social activity could include golf, going to horse racing, “meet up” events, etc. These are fresh, new ideas.

D. Fitzgerald- There should be a renewed emphasis on the “green jacket”, symbolic of the Emerald Society.

Membership Committee: J. Doherty

There are no new members this month.

C. Kelley- The new Membership chair will be E. Ashley. On the committee will be P. Morrissey, H. A. Ryan and J. Doherty.

C. Kelley- New members will be pinned after membership approval.

B. Cameron- One suggestion is to always carry membership forms with you. I’ve recruited many Emeralds by simply providing them with the application.

Nominating Committee- D. Fitzgerald

We need two additional board members.

E. Ashley- I will ask Kassie Doyle if she would be interested.

D. Fitzgerald- I will ask Phil Humphries.

Shamrock News- J. McManus

The latest issue will be out this weekend.

One idea- We need a sign-in sheet for the socials, so we can get an idea of who is in attendance.

Barbara McManus- We also need more pictures for the next edition.

Committee Chair Appointments: - C. Kelley

Audit: C. Kelley, suggest asking Robert Meyer, Sean Ferrell

Nominating: D. Fitzgerald

Newsletter: J. McManus

Membership: E. Ashley

4th of July Parade: Billy & Carroll Cameron

Installation Dinner: J. Tierney Sherry

Christmas in Ireland: E. Ashley, w/ M. Gerhardt

Social: P. Reilly, w/ M. Gerhardt

Pub Crawl: M. Gerhardt

By-laws: TBA

Website/Bigmouth: J. Doherty

Publicity: John Kane

Directory: J. Doherty

Good of the Order/Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned approximately 8:35PM

Next Board Meeting May 12, 2011, 7:00PM at Miami Yacht Club

Respectfully Submitted

Hugh A. Ryan (for J. Tierney Sherry)

