

**The South Florida Emerald Society
Board of Directors
January 4, 2007
Miami Yacht Club
Minutes**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 P. M. by Pres. Joe McManus. Present were :First Vice President Chris Kelley, Treasurer John Doherty, Rec. Sec. Jan Paris and Board Members Dan Fitzgerald, Billy Cameron, Jon Lindeman, Bill O'Brien, Tom and Karen Dunn, and Tom Lynch.

Excused were Helen Lennon, Mary Ann and Oliver Kerr, Patrick Novak, Pat Rios, Dave Russell and Carroll Cameron. A quorum was established.

Flag Salute led by Dan Fitzgerald.

Introduction of visitors and guests: None

Order of Business

Secretary's Report (J. Paris)

Minutes: Motion to approve November and December minutes made by T. Dunn; Seconded by D. Fitzgerald. Motion approved.

Communications: None

Treasurer's Report: (J. Doherty)

John Doherty distributed the financial results for 2006.(See attached Reconciliation Reports filed in Secretary's Book).Motion to approve by B. Cameron. Seconded by T. Dunn. Motion passed. The president will communicate the material to the absent Board members.

Committee Reports

Social Site (Bill O'Brien)

The January Social is to be held at Ann McShane's house on Friday, January 26th. at 6:30. 50/50 tickets will be sold. An announcement will be sent out on Big Mouth..

Christmas in Ireland Party

John Doherty reported on the financials in lieu of Patrick Novak, who was absent. Copy of report in Emerald'e 3-ring binder.

Membership (Tom Lynch and Ann McShane)

John Doherty presented the applications for membership.(Ann McShane and Tom Lynch were absent.) New members Hadley Williams, Melissa T. Sullivan, and Jon B. Lindeman Jr. were approved on a motion by B. Cameron, seconded by T. Dunn.

Directory C. Cameron was absent so there was no discussion of the Directory.

Copyright and Trademark Chris Kelley reported on the process of the copyright and trademark.

Celtic Cultural Series. In Barbara McManus' absence, Joe McManus reported that on Sunday, January 14th "The Wren Boys" would be presented at 4:00 pm at John Martin's. On Sunday Feb. 11th: "St. Brigid's Cross" will be presented at 4:00 pm at John Martin's.

Website and Big Mouth (J. Doherty)

B. O'Brien will provide the script to put the January Social on both Big Mouth and e-mail distribution and will sell raffle tickets at the event.

Shamrock News/ Communications Oliver and Mary Ann Kerr were absent.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

DIRECTIVE: J. McManus to contact Nabil Salem about meeting with Our Lady of Lebanon group.

DIRECTIVE: J. McManus to contact Janice McKay re 2007 Installation Dinner.

DIRECTIVE: J. McManus to appoint Audit Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

HEALTH AND WELFARE

The contributions to the SFES in the Lally Fund will be used by the Celtic Cultural Series. Condolence cards were sent to the family of John Wrisk, and to Chris Kelley for the loss of his sister

GOOD OF THE ORDER, ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P. M. on a motion to adjourn by J. Paris;. Seconded by B. Cameron. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jan Paris, Secretary

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1st
AT 6:30 AT THE MIAMI YACHT CLUB.**