## **Executive Committee Meeting Minutes January 8, 2003**

The meeting was held at the home of Mary Lee Kemper.

Mary Lee called us to order at 7:21 pm.

Members Present: Bob Charlton, Deb Brown, Judi Gissy, Mary Lee Kemper, Dave Lennig, C. E. Reutter, Misty Richmond.

Guests: Virginia Boatman, Esther Charlton, Steve and Alice Herrick, Kim Le Blanc

The agenda was adjusted to include prospects and inquiries under the membership report as requested by Judi. It was then approved.

Last month's minutes were approved (after a discussion of the fact that the newsletter editor may edit the minutes for publication in the Mencinnatian – note that the editor requested guidance in this regard). Bob moved that the minutes be accepted, CE seconded – the motion carried unanimously.

## Reports

Loc Sec: Mary Lee reports that she has no report. It was noted that National has requested that we update our directory.

Treasurer: Paulette was unable to attend this evening but provided us with a printed copy of her financial report. The regular account has a balance of \$6899.17, the RG account has a balance of \$10,711.40.

Publisher: The PO Box account has a balance of \$112.75.

Scholarship: Deb has agreed to be a liaison for Tom Vonderahe for the first round of essays for the competition. Virginia requested to speak on this topic and presented her concerns regarding the decrease in donations to the Scholarship Fund. CE requested to go on record as thanking the generous donors for their years of support (and this was generally agreed). There was a discussion of the issue including ideas for increasing our Scholarship Fund and the ever increasing need to provide scholarships (due to the increasing cost of secondary education)

RG Treasurer: Steve reports some difficulty in determining the profit from this year's RG due to deposits that had remained from last year. The profit from the last 2 years is in the neighborhood of \$6500 minus a few outstanding bills from this year's RG (which Steve does not expect to be significant). There was quite a bit of discussion about the surplus money. This will be discussed again next month, after members have had a chance to mull it over (and after we have the final financial report). Virginia also offered to perhaps sell her Hospitality hardware to CAM for use at future RGs. She will prepare a

list of items to be offered for sale (and CE offered her home for storage space). Steve hopes to be able to provide us with a final accounting by next month.

RG Chair: Kim reports that the RG happened and the hotel was pleased. We had a large number of walk-ins this year and hospitality stayed within their budget. It was also generally agreed that the RG was fun (and the OPERA was a hit!).

Membership: Judi reports that we currently have a membership of 385 and that she has received 26 prospects and 2 inquiries. She expects a good turnout for the testing on February 8. She also stated that 20 newsletters is plenty for her to have on hand for prospects.

Welcoming/Recruiting: There was no formal report although there was discussion of the testing dates and recruiting of new members. This strayed into a discussion of the egroup and it's membership. Deb will compose a poll of the members of the list serve to determine their feelings about allowing non members of Mensa to join the group.

Publicity: no report

Editor: no report

Monthly Gatherings: Esther reports that this Saturday is at Paneras on Colerain with a program about the possibility of a Submarine Museum in Cincinnati. February 8 will again be held at Panera's with a presentation by Sandra Schilling (on the Schilling School). March is the Eureka! Ranch, April 12 is up in the air and May 10 will be a presentation.

Deb reports that the Entertainment SIG is meeting on Sunday, January 19 at 4 pm at Newport on the Levee to see "Chicago".

Old Business: None

New Business: Bob requests 6 newsletters for the archives, Mary Lee requests one for herself. Bob estimates that there are about 30 corporate and other subscriptions bringing the total of newsletters to 450 (to be printed).

Mary Lee will also make sure that Esther receives a monthly membership roster as the Monthly Gathering Chair.

The Officers list was reviewed and it was approved without change except for the RG chair (as below). It was mentioned that the RG chair is usually rotated each year and that there are 2 volunteers for this position - Kim LeBlanc and Misty Richmond. Upon further contemplation, Kim withdrew himself. Judi nominated Misty, seconded by Deb. There being no other nominations, Misty Richmond was named RG Chair for 2003.

Future Meetings: Judi requested that the Committee consider changing the Ex Comm meetings to another day of the week as she has a conflict on Wednesdays. It was agreed that future meetings will be held on Monday (for now) and they were moved to 7:30 to accommodate Dave's schedule.

February 10, CE Reutter's, 7:30 pm March 10, Bob Charlton's, 7:30 pm

Good and Welfare: CE asked that the group go on record in thanking the RG Chair for a job well done. Congratulations were also given to the newly married Steve and Alice Herrick.

Bob motioned for adjournment at 9:12 and was seconded by Judi.

Respectfully submitted, Misty Richmond Scribe