

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes May 14, 2003

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

Mary Lee called us to order at 7:26 pm.

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

Guest: Esther Charlton, Paulette Wilson

The agenda was adjusted and approved.

Last month's minutes were reviewed without amendment. Deb moved that we accept the minutes; Judi seconded. It passed unanimously.

Reports

Loc Sec: Mary Lee reports that Verona has submitted a report based on her first request for financial assistance (Verona having agreed to take on this role for Ex Comm). There ensued a discussion of the recommendations regarding such assistance, in particular the specifics of how much assistance should be provided, for how long and with what expectations. There is an expectation that those who receive assistance will return something to CAM in exchange. Debbie moved that we accept Verona's recommendation on this request and pay the dues for this year only; Misty seconded. Paulette will forward a check for \$49 (made out to American Mensa) to the recipient. Dave motioned that the Standing Orders reflect the need for all requests for financial aid to be sent to the Financial Aid Coordinator for evaluation and recommendation and, if accepted by Ex Comm, the Treasurer should be notified to send payment to the recipient; Judi seconded. There was discussion as to the need for adding the creation of this position to the Standing Orders – Mary Lee will take care of this.

Various announcements: Mary Lee has a request from the Project Inkslinger Program for assistance with increasing awareness of the program and contacting them if the need for their services arises. Mind Games selected the top 5 games last month. There will be LDW workshops on a variety of topics at the AG that we may attend if interested. National Testing Day is October 18 – we must fill out a form to participate. It is expected that Verale will handle this. Test the Nation TV show will be held on June 9th and Mensa is participating.

Treasurer: Paulette provided a report. Our checking account ending balance is \$5,120.86; RG account balance is \$723.50; PO account balance is \$66.32; total CD amounts is \$11,000. Total assets are \$18,910.68. There was some discussion of what to do with the extra funds. This led to a discussion of the RG needs (Bob and Esther arrived). Misty made a motion that we purchase 3 items from Steve and Alice – a freezer, a water machine and a VCR; Bob seconded. It passed unanimously. Mary Lee will contact Steve and Alice. It was agreed that the cost of these items will come out of the general fund. Dave agreed to make and maintain a list of CAM assets and requests that asset holders advise him as to their holdings. There was further discussion of the need for games (with Steve and Alice moving). Judi will start looking for yard sale bargains; Misty will make a wish list of games and solicit for donations in the Mencionian.

Scholarship: The deadline for appointing Scholarship Chairs is rapidly approaching. Bob moved to re-appoint Tom Vonderahe; Deb seconded. It passed unanimously. The form has been completed and Mary Lee will forward onto national. Deb reports that MERF has approved the list of scholarship winners and that it is available on the website.

Membership: Judi reports that she had 8 prospects (to which she sent testing notices), 12 new prospects and 3 inquiries. The June test is at the Fort Thomas Library on June 14. Mary Lee has the list of lapsed members and noted several unfortunate losses. We lost 58 members and hope to have them rejoin us.

Publicity: Deb reports that there is nothing to report. Mary Lee points out that Paulette has been nominated for the Large Group Owl for the CAM website- congratulations were given by all.

Editor: Corporate membership -17, Region 3 – 28, CAM – 329, W&R – 10, Archivist – 6, FSM – 10, Other – 2. Total to print = 403. Misty nominated John Parnell as the new editor; Deb seconded. With no further nominations Bob moved that the nominations be closed. John was unanimously approved.

Activities:

Esther reported on the upcoming Monthly Gatherings. May 17 is Games Day at the Loft's downtown.

Deb moved that we reimburse John Parnell \$75 for the rental of the space for the games day; Judi seconded. It passed unanimously.

RG – Misty reports that we have 56 registrants for this year - the issue of needing games for our games room has already been discussed. Mary Lee states that she will begin contacting hotels in search of a place for the 2004 RG.

Old Business: Gifted Children – Mary Lee reports that we received very nice thank you notes from PAGE for our contribution. Our GCC reports that she has heard from a teen member requesting that they be permitted to bring friends to the RG.

New Business: Mary Lee states that we need to appoint an election committee at our next Ex Comm meeting (in June). Deb asks for a budget for the cards and stationary for the Corresponding Secretary not to exceed \$50 for the year. She was asked to submit needs as they accrue.

Future Meetings:

June 11 – the Charlton's at 7:00

July 9 – hosted by Debbie at Mary Lee's at 7:00

Good and Welfare: We thank Steve Herrick for his service as editor of the Mencinnatian. We also thank Virginia Boatman for her years of service to CAM and note that we are missing her at our meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22.

Respectfully submitted,
Misty Richmond
Scribe