## CINCINNATI AREA MENSA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 9, 2005

Meeting held at the Brew House

Members Present: Deb Brown, Bob Charlton, Dave Lennig, Rob McDonough, Misty Richmond, John

Schneder and Paulette Wilson

Guests: John Cunningham and Esther Charlton

Call to Order at 7:21PM

January 2005 ExComm Minutes accepted as amended.

## CAM appointees:

Open positions are OmsBuddy and Speaker Seeker.

2 letters read for OmsBuddy position from MaryLee Kemper and Richard Magnus. MLK mentions that 2 positions are required, Omsbuddy and Mediator, although they may be combined for most purposes. Bob moves, Deb seconded, and motion passes for one consolidated position, 5 for, 2 against (5/2/0). Under secret ballot, MaryLee Kemper is chosen 4/3 over Richard Magnus.

Speaker Seeker position is still open.

National statistics: 371 CAM members, 16 prospects.

Urban Challenge Online is an online game with, ultimately, a \$1 million prize. AML is looking to have a Mensa team win. You and a friend go to <a href="https://www.urbanchallenge.com/online">www.urbanchallenge.com/online</a> and use the unique referral code: MENSA.

Culture Fair tests battery is available to candidates who do not speak English as their first language or for those with certain learning disabilities. Candidates not qualifying for the Mensa Admission Test may take the Culture Fair test battery for an additional \$30 fee.

AG in New Orleans, LA July 2005.

Mind Games 2005 registration closes March 31, 2005. Held April 15-17 in Tampa FL.

MSN Search is now a key corporate sponsor of Mensa events: Colloquium, Mind Games and the AG.

Mensa testing numbers are dropping. A \$5 gift receipt in Mensa Bulletin towards testing fees.

Membership report: John Cunningham mails material to prospects

Treasurer report: Accumulated Testing money in from AML. Wilson requested and received info regarding analysis service charges. Nickel and diming away! Newsletter subsidy less than actual cost. Paulette Wilson to talk to MenCinnatian Editor, Tom Crush, regarding stapling and other charges. Schneder to get some alternative costs.

MenCinnatian: 420 copies authorized this month.

## RG Reports:

2004 RG Account Treasurer reports about a \$1500 shortfall versus budgeted numbers. Questions, questions and more questions about expenses and pricing followed this.

Next was a discussion on RG registration rollovers. The sense of ExComm is that rollovers must choose between fee-rebate and adjusted rollover fee equaling payment at 'early-bird' rate (\$40).

Better RG Registrar training needed. There are too many 'intuitive' banking practices used by registrars.

2005 RG Chair, Misty Richmond, discussed who, what \$ and how much. We have contract with the same hotel. Meal Managers are in place. RG committee is meeting Sunday after 2 PM 3 weeks from now, March 6<sup>th</sup>.

No further reports presented.

Monthly Gathering: March darts at Brew House April at Rob McDonough's. It will be a new member event May 14<sup>th</sup> Open. Entertaiinment SIG Feb 19 at a Peruvian restaurant

Friday Games East night moved to Borders at Eastgate.

Hikes attendance is flagging due to cold and wet weather. More hikes scheduled at Glenwood Gardens, a Hamilton county park.

Bob Charlton reports a Viking Fest the end of April is possible.

LDW nothing new, ExComm members to review handout.

LocSec, Misty Richmond, read a letter to ExComm, iterating objections to the last MenCinnatian. The discussion following the reading brought forth that several items were to be considered mandatory; any ExComm minutes; the Calendar and the USPS (boilerplate) page. There was some discussion but no resolution about having a Mission statement. ExComm members will talk to principals identified in the letter.

Future ExComm meetings: Mar 9<sup>th</sup> at Paulette Wilson's April Rob McDonough's May at Bob Charlton's

Good and welfare: John Parnell is ill. Verona Bennetto to send letter from ExComm.

Move to adjourn 9:07PM