

The Illinois Club Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday January 27, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at Pat Thiessen's

Present: Sandy Camargo, Carol DeVoss, Susan Haney, Vivian Larson, Ann Long, Christina Myers, Ted Rowland, Pat Thiessen, Sandi Thomas, Mary Jo Thomsen, Paula Watson.

Minutes from last Board Meeting – Sandy Camargo

- Minutes were accepted as previously distributed.

Board Reports

President – Susan Haney

- Susan announced the resignation of Bryan & Jody Endres and asked for ideas regarding the Newcomers program.
- The Haney Scholarship is now 84% funded and will be fully funded by the end of June.
- Lilian Barria, Newsletter Chair, has also resigned. Susan will take on putting something together for the next issue.
- 13 out of 23 voted yes on the roosters (*Lord of Chatsworth*) via email. This proposal was for buying no more than 10 prints to sell, as they seemed to be a popular item at the UI All-Employee Expo.
- According to a study of membership records done by Christina 9 members are eligible for the Golden Member benefit.
- Vivian agreed to offer advice on a website to display Judy Ikenberry's art.

First VP Programs – Mary Jo Thomsen

- Holiday Party Report: 156 accepted; 38 of those did not attend. The only expense was \$200 for the cellist and pianist.
- Scholarship Awards Brunch will be Sat. Mar. 6 at the Hawthorn Suites from 10:15-12:15. It should be a great meal with more food than at ACES and less expensive. Cost will be \$17.50 or \$18.50 through PayPal.
- Spring Luncheon will be April 29. Because this date occurs during the University semester, active faculty members may not be able to attend. As a result, there was some discussion as to whether the spring luncheon should be later in the year and it was decided that the date would alternate between earlier and later in the year. Lunch will be a soup and salad buffet at the Hilton Garden Inn at \$14.95 per person. Hilton Garden Inn will charge \$100 for the room. Sarah Wisseman will be asked to be the guest speaker.
- Fall Expo. The Hilton Garden Inn is booked on Sept 13 and the I Hotel wants \$400 for the room. Vivian and Mary Jo will look for alternate locations.

Third VP Interest Groups – Cathy Williams

- Board members are asked to let Cathy know as soon as possible whether they wish to continue to serve. The Nominating Committee meeting date has been set.

Treasurer – Debbie Day

- Copies of the Treasurer's Report were distributed.

Newsletter – Lilian Barria

- No report

Membership – Christina Myers

- There are 386 members total; 174 are couples
- The membership directory will go out with a wraparound of the Scholarship Brunch flyer in the next couple of weeks.

Publicity, General – Susan

- An ad in Inside Illinois for tiles, notecards and prints produced good results in sales. The News-Gazette will be contacted to come and take pictures at the Scholarship brunch.

Publicity, Interest Groups – Pat Thiessen

- Pat suggested a general ad about the club should be placed in Inside Illinois.

Webmaster – Birgit McCall

- PayPal is not up yet for the Scholarship Brunch but Birgit is working on it.
- Birgit is also working on making it possible to make scholarship donations to the Foundation via credit card.

Tours – Susan Haney

- Joy Thornton-Walter has offered a tour of her tulip garden preferably on a week day evening possibly followed by a wine and cheese event.

Corresponding Secretary – Vivian Larson

- 7 get well cards were sent.

Scholarships – Sandi Thomas

- Interviews of 22 candidates will be this coming Friday and Monday.
- Problems with the listing on the Women’s Resources Center website have been fixed, and were completed just two weeks before the applications were due. The deadline was extended until Dec. 15 because of problems with the WRC website.
- It is important to have generic information on the WRC website that will remain useful from year to year. This should help eliminate dependence upon timely updating by their webmaster.
- Downloading of the application is now done from our website for all sites that advertise our awards.
- A new third page will be added to the application which will make clear what answers we are looking for.

New Business

- There was no new business.

BOARD MEETING DATES

All Wednesdays 7:00

March 17 Susan Haney’s

New & Retiring Board Meeting

Wednesday 6:30 May 19

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula Watson
Recording Secretary