

Place: Greg and Mary Jo Maitre's home

Present: Greg, Mary Jo, Mike Bengel, Fred Bell, Doug Wittkowski, Scott Smed, Marlene Churchill

Meeting called to order at 9:35.

Approval of prior months minutes: motion by Mike, Doug second, all approve.

Treasurer Report: much conversation regarding the C.D.'s and how to proceed now that the first one has come up for renewal (I know that isn't correct financial terminology but I could think of the right word). Because there is no real need for the money to be immediately available the Board has agreed with Fred's opinion to roll into a 12 months C.D. Doug made a motion that we let Fred handle the renewal of the C.D.'s as he sees appropriate, keeping the Board informed, Scott second, all approve. Discussion regarding the budget and funding events such as the picnic and annual meeting.

Question: do we try to make the money earned from the raffle last -or- spend it, enjoy it and work on getting another fund raiser going??? Discussion on whether to pay for the lunch at the May rally, or not. Motion made by Scott to pay for the food for the rally/ Doug second/ all approve.

Bimmer Ad: this situation has been resolved. Seems it was a billing error by the magazine.

Charity: the forms have been sent to Scott S. to submit. Believe due date is 4/30.

Calendar: Concors - confirmed that Spinal Bifida will be the charity.

Dana wasn't present, but as stated in his email we are assuming he will contact Dale's to be sure we adequate parking space. This last week the lot was full of cars with "work in progress". Dale needs to know we will need the space.

Rally - Doug and Martha putting the finishing touches on route and food choices.

Picnic - Raccoon River Park had been one suggestion. Another suggestion at meeting was Easter Lake. Greg will contact Dave Tractenberg (sp?) to check out the facility at Easter Lake. Scott S. has a person lined up for the food but he can't put any additional time into the picnic (doesn't want to chair it). Suggestion made that Greg approach Dave T. to chair, knowing that the food part has been handled.

June School - 7 signed up so far

Spartanburg - Nov. 1 scheduled. Discussed that this could be a financially risky situation for the IA Chapter. It is still a go at this point knowing that we have up to a month out to cancel, would need a minimum of 32 to proceed, we believe we should require the money 8 weeks prior to the event, and respectfully request input from Dave Brennan.

Annual Meeting - Discussed Dave B.'s email with info on a Dubuque site for the meeting. We prefer to have an event, other than the annual meeting, in Dubuque. Doug volunteered to chair and has been working on speakers for the event. Tol Solkowski and a Driver have been approached...this means the event will be held about a month later than it's been in the past. The event will be held in Des Moines or Ames area (nothing concrete and subject to change).

Board Member Job Descriptions: Sent via email prior to the email.

EMC Relationship: Discussion on hold until Dana can be present. Regarding the member mail list to EMC- Board has decided they can have a list of Names

ONLY...not address, phone, or email address.

Chapter Wear: Brighton sent sample contract. Greg will plan to go forward with communication with Brighton.

Board discussed setting up Paypall on the website.

Board Indecisiveness: Discussion tabled until next meeting.

Requested that Marlene send out new contact list to all Board members. (should have is out to you this week)

Discussed that it would be helpfull to set up new binders with following info: Description of Board Duties

Bylaws

Board Policies

please submit and email if you can think of anything else

Next meeting: Saturday May 10

Hickory Park B-B-Q in Ames

10:30 (I know we decided on 11:00 but I called, they open at 10:30, no tables reserved, and she wanted us to know it's noisy...I guess it's a go unless someone has another suggestion

Mike made motion to adjourn/ Greg second/all approve.