



Humanists & Freethinkers of Cape Fear

Minutes of Executive Board Meeting, January 3, 2014

Note: No December meeting was convened as a quorum was not present.

Members in Attendance: Elaine Warren, President; Ron Cochran, Treasurer; Chris Knigge, Secretary; Jane Nelson; Jamie Pond and Susanne Werner.

Member Absent: Audrey Santangelo, Vice President and Nancy Bair.

Elaine called the meeting to order at 12:45 P.M.

Prior Minutes: Jane made a motion to pass the minutes and it was seconded by Jamie.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was distributed to members and is attached. The current balance is \$5867. QuickBooks shows \$6149 and there is \$1001 in the capital account. Elaine mentioned that the State has passed a change in the tax requirements for non profits. Ron will check into it.

Elaine reported that elections were held at the December meeting and Elaine Warren is now President and Audrey Santangelo is Vice President. Raymond Cardwell has resigned from the board.

There was discussion about presenting a parting gift to Clem Britzber for his years of service and support. Susanne will check Things Remembered and Evolve Fish for objects to inscribe.

Susanne told about her progress with the book donation to schools project. Jane has a contact that may be helpful. Electronic books were thought of as a possibility.

There was discussion about seeking new board members to fill the vacancies. Several names were suggested. Elaine will follow up.

Movie night was considered. They will be held at the Mayfaire residents' theater. Jamie has a DVD of Religilous and will provide it for showing at the January 8th event. Several other films were suggested for future viewing. A Place at the Table and Inequality for All were mentioned. Jane will confirm the theater for the January date.

It was decided that the January 12th regular meeting would be a social night in which we elicit ideas for future meetings and activities from the membership as well as obtaining names of members who are willing to work on several committees. The plan is to place members in groups, facilitated by board members, which will report their ideas and suggestions to the full group. Elaine will obtain a flip chart to record the results. It was suggested that an explanation be made to the group about our connection to AHA, The Carolinas Freethinkers Secular Organization, Secular Coalition of America, etc. in addition to a treasurer's report, membership report and report on celebrant's abilities and activities.

January 14th Happy Hour is planned to be held at Two Guys in Leland at 6:00 P.M.

January 26th breakfast is planned to be held at Jimbos at 9:00 P.M.

The February 6th Executive Board meeting will be held at Jane's home at 1:00 P.M.

The February 9th meeting will recognize Darwin Day. Ron will look for a Darwin related movie. Susanne will explore the possibility of getting Mayor Saffo to sign a Darwin Day proclamation.

Elaine suggested that our response to the May 1st Day of Prayer, the Day of Reason, could be held in Hugh Mac Rae Park. We could have a speaker and activities from about 12:00 to 2 or 3:00 P.M. The event would be publicized.

Suzanne told of a workshop opportunity at the NE Library. It is a fundraising workshop on Saturday, January 25th from 9:00 to 12:00 P.M. She will check on registration and report back. Susanne also noted a fundraiser to be held at Blockade Runner for Planned Parenthood. She will notify us of details.

Ron made a motion to adjourn and Jane seconded it. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM.

Submitted by,

Chris Knigge