

Florida Whips August 14, 2010 Board Meeting

The annual meeting of the Florida Whips Board was held on August 14, 2010 at the home of Mary De Greef , President. After serving us a delicious lunch, Mary called the meeting to order at 12 noon. The first order of business was introductions. The following were present: Mary DeGreef, president ; Dona Love, vice president; Judy Martin; Treasurer, Helen Tolmach, secretary; Peg Belvin SE region Director; Linda Bennett, SW region Alternate; Connie Thoreson, Northern region alternate; Linda Evans, Northern region director; Jeanne Abbott, advertising director.

Minutes from the previous August Board meeting were approved.
Mary reported that she has spoken to Dede Conner, membership Chair, and she will be sending out reminder renewal post cards.

We approved a motion to renew our membership with the ADS.

Judy Martin read the treasurer's report and it will be sent by E-mail and should be attached to these minutes.

Regional reports were noted mostly calendaring events. They will all be included in the calendar. Panhandle reported that Cynthia Perkins was elected director and Rhoda Icerman, was elected alternate.

Old business:

Treasury matters- transition, annual reports to State etc.

This seems to be a problem every transition period . Mary will make a recommendation at the next general meeting that the by-laws be amended to include in the duties of the President, the three state/ bank officers reports that have to be updated every year or every change of officers.

It was recommended that we include in the Newsletter information of the Yahoo Groups info and how to register and etc.

A motion was passed to have the "Carriage Affaire" include Yahoo Group info in their pamphlet.

Once again it was recommended , due to the \$3000 cost of the Newsletter that we encourage members to get their Newsletter on-line. We will again attempt to identify those willing to get the Newsletter on-line by including a box to be checked on the membership application. Once we have members identified, Dede should only give the names and addresses to Pam Knisely, Newsletter Editor, of those who insist on a paper copy.

There was a discussion re the FL Whips Face book page about whether it could be

improved to make it more user friendly.

New business:

Approval of calendar with two annual meeting dates: Fall Carriage Affaire, Oct 17 and Port Myaca, May 7th/8th, 2011.

A motion was made and carried that award a One Hundred dollar gift certificate to Yvonne Griffiths in appreciation for the outstanding job she has done in managing our Website.

There was further discussion re our tax status with the State. Mary agreed to research this area re: nonprofit status, state sales tax, obligations and filing status.

After discussion, it was recommended that we put an article in the newsletter re: The Whips history and ask for a volunteer to be our Whips historian to take over old Newsletters and photos and preserve these for a historical memorial.

After discussion, it was recommended that the Regional directors inventory their regions assets, cones, measuring sticks, balls etc. It was recognized that the problem is not so much storing as delivering to the various events where they are needed.

Jeannie Abbott led a discussion re: our advertising in the newsletter and on the Web.

Connie led a discussion re: the Carriage Affaire, explaining that she believes it will be very successful.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:25PM

Submitted by Whips Secretary

Helen Tolmach