

ERC Meeting  
Thursday, May 5, 2005

ATTENDEES: Sharon Maloid, Mike Selby, Amy Huter-Imming, Laura Knott, Liz Borrer, Roxanne Angell, JT Moore, Rodman Smith, Walter Kott, Kathy Breeze, Heidi Bokesch, Kathleen Simon

The meeting was brought to order at approximately 11:30.

Amy announced that Liz Borrer would be on a leave of absence for an extended period of time. During her absence Tammy Eyler will fill in as Secretary.

Heidi provided financial information concerning ongoing and recently completed events.

Amy briefly discussed the vending machines. She indicated that ERC committee members are the “trouble shooters” for the vending machines. If an individual loses money in one of the machines they should know that the ERC committee member, or other designated person, is the contact for refunds. Amy directed that Tammy send an e-mail to all committee members with contact information for the vending machine company.

Heidi reported that no work had been done on website development. She does have a list of current members that all event coordinators should review when accepting monies for events. Our membership is at 372 – up approximately 12 from last year. Heidi further indicated that the News & Views insert netted approximately 36 new members. Liz Borrer indicated that Paul Miller would be willing to do an ERC membership insert in the Poster.

Roxanne is in need of volunteers to man the ERC table at the Spring Research Festival May 18-19. If anyone has time that they could help-out they should contact Roxanne as soon as possible. Amy indicated that one of her office laptops could be used to run a PowerPoint display of recent ERC event pictures—Rodman volunteered to turn the pictures into PowerPoint.

During further discussion concerning the Research Festival, Joan Menninger came up with an idea to give away a free ERC membership and/or ERC dollars. She and Barb Holder are working on the idea and will report back to Amy when the idea is finalized.

Free lunch day is Thursday, May 12, Laura indicated that she had approximately 300 members signed up for the lunch.

Amy reported on sporting events in Beth Binns-Roemer’s absence. Beth plans to coordinate 2 Orioles games at the \$25/seat level (Orioles vs Boston & Orioles vs NY). She has contacted the Washington Nationals organization and will report as more information becomes available. Beth also got information concerning the Mystics games. During Amy’s report it was indicated that the Mystics tickets have a no return policy –

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based on committee comment, it was decided that a Mystics event would not be organized.

Per Joan, there will be no fishing trip this year.

Per Roxanne, there will be no ice skating party this year.

Per Randall, there will be no rafting trip this year.

Laura Knott announced that July 14-15 would be Ice Cream Days. The flyer will go out by the middle of June.

Heidi volunteered to look into possible events at Wolf Trap. She indicated that in June the Louisiana Swamp Romp (a Cajun music festival) would be appearing; and in July a Jazz/Blues Festival will be appearing. Lawn seating is \$18. Heidi will get additional information and follow-up.

Barb Holder volunteered to find out the information for Mamma Mia.

It was suggested by Randall that we attempt a local baseball event with the Hagerstown Suns that includes a tailgate party. He will find out the necessary information and report back.

Rodman checked out information concerning a wine tasting event – after much committee discussion it was decided that we would not be doing this event for liability reasons.

Tammy provided a brief report concerning the St. Lucia trip – approximately 35 people have signed up and paid their deposits. Randall asked if dates had been set. It was explained that dates would not be set until approximately July. If other members would like to sign-up for the trip, they may do so up until travel contracts are signed.

Amy indicated that she would research the cost and details for a Las Vegas trip for March 2006.

A round table discussion ensued concerning new working committee members. Being able to reach no consensus this matter was tabled. Heidi suggested that in order to get more participation with current members a listing of events should be emailed to all working committee members; each member should pick an event and do it.

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The flyer is out for the holiday trip to NYC, Laura asked that we push the event.

Sharon procured Bill Cosby tickets for his November show at the Meyerhoff. Amy volunteered to sell the tickets. A flyer will be created and distributed in the early Fall to begin ticket sales.

Having no further business, the committee adjourned at approximately 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Eyer