

MINUTES

FCC Oregon and SW Washington - Board Meeting

Monday, June 2, 2008

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at Shanghai Noble

Meeting called by President, Paul Bollinger

Attendees: Paul Bollinger President, Holly Odil Vice President, Joanna Agee Treasurer, Susan Lopez Secretary
Members at large: Matt Carlson, Natalia Johnson, Robert MacFarlan & Kathryn Collins

Not present: Jill Chen, Myde Boyles

Guests: Lin Luo, Portland Chinese Friendship Association

Quorum present: Yes

Call to Order by Paul, President

- Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm
- Agenda approved
- **MOTION** by Paul to approve April and May minutes (with change to April minutes); Seconded and passed

Presentation by Guest, Lin Luo

- Portland Chinese Friendship Association
- <http://www.portlandcfa.org/>
- Established in 1992 for Chinese professionals
- Organization observes Chinese holidays and provides members with networking, service and sharing information opportunities
- About 600 members (100-250 active members)
- Family oriented
- Distributes annual newsletter
- Would like to invite FCC members to summer potluck on August 23rd
- Mid-Autumn festival
- Golf tournaments and hiking groups
- Would like to keep communication open to FCC
- Next steps: Get FCC and PCFA board together
- Paul Bollinger will be FCC liaison to Portland Chinese Friendship Association
- There are good benefits to our FCC members (activities for older kids, families with boys from China, etc)

Annual Meeting

- Saturday, June 21 (3:30 – 6:00 pm)
 - Lucky Lab
 - Only a few people have RSVP'ed
 - What happens if we rent the room and have a small turn-out? Can we move downstairs and order from the menu? Paul will follow-up with Lucky Lab to determine alternatives to room rental
 - The agenda will include, election of new board members, review of annual events and a short presentation of upcoming events
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New Business

Waiting Families

- Waiting Families coordinators sent Paul a letter to discuss possible changes to the group
- Two coordinators will be stepping down
- Waiting Families may need to find a different meeting space
- China adoption program is changing with increasing wait times
- The Waiting Families program may scale down
- Matt Carlson suggested that we meet and brainstorm together; Matt will contact the waiting families coordinators

Xiao Pengyou Chinese Heritage Camp

- Debra Hall contacted Paul for an annual \$500.00 donation to the camp
- The board discussed our current budget situation (increased insurance expense)
- FCC has provided financial support for the last 3 years (in the amount of \$500.00)
- FCC needs to watch for long term commitments
- The camp is not in the 08 budget
- Discussion to provide smaller amount
- **MOTION** by Paul to provide \$250.00; Seconded by Susan Lopez; Motion didn't pass
- **MOTION** by Matt to provide \$175.00 and donate FCC stuff (FCC is storing and will not use); Motion didn't pass
- **MOTION** by Holly to provide \$150.00 and donate FCC stuff; Seconded and passed
- Paul will follow-up with Debra Hall; The dragon head needs to be returned to FCC; the other stuff shouldn't be returned

Charitable Giving

- The Charitable Giving Committee has dissolved
- The plan is to setup a board directed charitable giving account
- The separate charitable giving account needs to be closed by the end of fiscal year (July 1)
- The money should be wired to Chengde orphanage before July 1st
- Joanna will e-mail Sarah about the July 1 deadline

Membership (sponsorship)?

- Defer to the next board meeting
- Would like to eliminate sponsor section in the member application
- Katrina (membership coordinator) has a heavy workload

Chinese Garden contact

- While Jill's board term will be ending, she will be our contact to the Chinese garden

Mid Autumn Festival

- A big thank you to Kathryn for reserving Cooks Park
- Saturday, September 20th (11 – 3 pm)
- Mooncakes are expensive
- We can get meats from Costco and barbeque; members can bring side dishes

Chinese New Year

- Matt booked the PSU ballroom
- The ballroom will hold 750 people and will cost \$1300.00
- A big thank you to Matt for his help in securing the ballroom

Goodbyes to Paul Bollinger and Joanna Agee

- The board thanked Paul and Joanna for their wonderful years of service to the FCC board
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Bank Signatures

- **MOTION** by Paul to remove Joanna and other board members from the bank account (signatures) and add Robert MacFarlan and Holly Odil to signatures;

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary, Susan Lopez
