

Friendly Sons of St. Patrick

2019 Members: Pres. Tony Schmid, Vice Pres. Tim Schuck, Treas. Josh Soliday, Secretary-for-Life Ed Kelly, Jeff DeMoss, Mike Dennis, George Hedding, Bill McCarthy, Scott Tilton

FSOSP Board Meeting for Mon., Nov. 25, 2019

Location Mickle Center, 1620 Pleasant, Des Moines, IA, 50314 (515) 277-SONS

Call to Order 6:08 p.m. **Roll Call** A quorum was present. Missing: T-Bone, DeMoss

Treasurer's Report Approved...overall balance \$4,549

Details ... We are contracting with West Bend Ins. for liability at our events and should see a modest savings. Also, other grant options are being looked into.

Members & Visitors Input/Forum

None

Discussion & Reports

*Christmas dinner:

The happy hour begins at 6 p.m. The Foy Dancers will perform at 6:45. McCarthy is spearheading a new "Wine Grab" feature for \$10.

*Parade:

Marriott contract is all set for next March.

Further talks are underway with fundraiser Tony Rose. The concept is to hold our own public beer/food/music post-parade reception in Western Gateway Park about 8 a.m. to about 3 p.m.

Ideas are being proposed for parade marshal and Irishman of the Year. No decisions yet.

*Merch report:

McCarthy proposed offering new hoodies for \$30. More of everything else needs to be restocked, as well.

*Queen nominations are needed about now. A notice will be put in the Blarney.

There will be a 32 team limit. Registration starting at 11 a.m. with noon start.

Tilton & Schuck will take over chair duties next year.

*2020 Run:

Leonhart will be invited to a board meeting to discuss revisions/tweaks in the 35th run next year.

Distance changes? Hill avoidance?, etc.

*Printing costs:

The UPS Store will be approached about printing the Blarney, potentially dropping the monthly expense of mailing to 48 members from roughly \$148 to approximately \$75.

Adjournment 7:20 p.m.

Next Meeting: Mon., Dec. 30, 2019