

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., Oct. 28, 2019

Location Mickle Center, 1620 Pleasant, Des Moines, IA, 50314 (515) 277-SONS
Call to Order 6:02 p.m. **Roll Call** A quorum was present. Missing: Hedding
Treasurer's Report Approved...overall balance \$4,353
Details ... Bike ride raised \$2900 after expenses
Event insurance is being bid out to try to get a better deal.
Polk Co. grant opportunity is coming up in Dec.
Reaching out to Mid-Am Energy for a grant, too.

Members & Visitors Input/Forum

None

Discussion & Reports

***Rate increases:**

At the Nov. meeting the meal fee is raising to \$15, to help cover "real" costs of food/drink
The Xmas dinner registration will now be \$40/person.
Yearly membership will rise to \$50 as of Mar. 1

***Xmas dinner:**

Cost last year was \$2100 for 76 people. Ornaments were \$700.
Pork tenderloin will substitute for steak and perhaps save us \$1000.
Kelly will bring the "Irish Tree" this year again and also line up a jazzy duo for dinner music
ambience.
Note in the Blarney needed to help gather pix for the Dennis slide extravaganza.

***Tony Rose St. Pat's concept:**

Proposed budget outlines 1300 for his police
at a 6-3 p.m. event in Gateway Park for 2-5000 people may result in 15-35K proceeds

***Beer duties:**

Soliday volunteered to assume them, with DeMoss as backup.
T-Bone has researched/noted the amount needed.

***Dishwashing:**

Discussion suggests we could establish quarterly volunteers
and award them 1st in dinner line and/or raffle tix.

***Misc.:**

Only a \$220 donation to CMA will be funded this month.
We will participate in the Mentor IA Xmas program again with the O'Donnells in charge.
Questions have been raised about the library's viability. Is it worth it? Resolution made to let it
disappear
for a month or two to see. No reaction? Then ditch it.
Two nominations were made for Irishman of the Year
Lucky Draw tix needed. T-Bone is looking into on-line printing to save money.
T-Bone proposed a "meat raffle" at meetings and will look into feasibility.
Looking to gather silent auction items for St. Pat's at the Marriott (a few things are in hand).

Adjournment 7:36 p.m.

Next Meeting: Mon., Nov. 25, 2019