

Midwest Foreign Commerce Club Minutes

Meeting Date: January 9th, 2009

Location: K-Line

Attending: Nathan, Sweeney, Hancock, Nuckles, Quinonez, Johnson and Laird

Call to order: 9:00 am

Secretary's report: Read by Laird MTA Nuckles, 2nd Nathan

Treasury report: Read by Sweeney MTA Quinonez, 2nd Johnson

Discussion Topics:

Web update: Annual fee due for web hosting - \$131.40. (All agreed to maintain current web provider (Moonrise Hosting). Web updates for annual dues, registration, new board listing to be completed over this coming weekend.

OFA/MFCC discussions: Not much has transpired since the last meeting. Maintain open dialog with both clubs to promote function participation.

Taxes: Laird and Sweeney to work with tax accountant to address open tax issues.

Membership fees for 2009: Agreed to maintain \$125 and \$75 – in/out of State membership fees.

Event discussions:

Wine tasting for February: Nathan looking at Coopers Hawk and Lynfred Winery. More to come after further investigation.

Steamship Ports Night: Clean truck, 10+2 or Economist to discuss current business climate. Nuckles and Johnson to research further.

Golf Outing: Look around for other venues. Laird to reach out to Pheasant Run in St Charles and Sweeney to contact St Andrews in West Chicago. Target date: Sep 17th, 2009.

Miscellaneous topics:

Insurance coverage for functions serving alcohol – dram-shop – Quinonez/Hancock/Nuckles to follow-up.

Charity function: Discuss with accountant on how to set up fund/tax advantages-deductions for participants. Laird/Sweeney follow-up.

Badges: Laird to get with Liz to have badges made.

Flag: Open item.

Quarterly newsletter: Nathan to look into a 3rd party service, Century Distribution, web site newsletter.

Job openings section on web site.

MTA Nathan 2nd Hancock 11:00 am