

EXCOMM MINUTES – JULY 11, 2006

The ExComm was called to order at 5:40 PM by Ben Burgess, LocSec. ExComm members Dave Shiffman and Greg Childers were present, Aimee Sufka and Sherry Mars initially absent. Mensans Dick Shaw, Trisha Nelson, Marcia Denman, Susan Hinson, Jamie Francis, and Dolyn Norris were present. Aimee (ExComm) arrived at 5:45, and members Andi Babian, Susan Hirsch, Ann Ray, Whitney Hartman, Jim Dunworth, Neville Mayfield, Mike Deming, Brent and Charlotte Milton, Mary Custer, Suzanne Hundley, and Sam Couch, a first-timer, arrived after the meeting began. In addition, our guest presenters from New Orleans Mensa, George Kutzgar and Jennifer Heckert, arrived with Neville.

Ben presented his draft agenda, as follows:

- Official creation of the Bylaws Committee
- Funding for confidential membership assistance program
- Reimbursement request and invoice for publicity (\$251.20, RVC authorized)
- Other reimbursement requests received
- Request report on status of treasury audit and expected completion date
- Discuss draft 2006 budget
- Discuss replacement of existing copier/printer
- Other discussion items:
 - Limited use of Roberts Rules Of Order for meeting structure, procedure
 - Calling special meetings, correcting and approving meeting minutes
 - Moving the ExComm meeting.

Ben moved to reappoint the acting Bylaws Chair and Committee. Due to objections, he tabled his motion. Susan Hinson distributed a short written report from the group.

Trisha stated that she had completed the audit and that she would provide Greg with a written audit statement for the newsletter.

After a short discussion of the mechanics of the confidential membership dues assistance program, restoration of the fund allocation to two annual memberships was approved. (4-0)

Payment for Mensa test publicity in the amount of \$251.20, as approved and reimbursed by the RVC (\$250) was approved. (4-0)

Reimbursement for additional camping trip expenses of \$64.07 was approved. (4-0)

Aimee presented the June financial report.

Aimee opened discussion of printing the newsletter. Trisha printed the June newsletter on her printer at work, using Mensa supplies, with good technical results, but not enough known about total cost and future feasibility. She plans to print the July issue as well, but no plans beyond that.

We had a short open discussion about what printer characteristics were needed, what had been done in the past about finding a suitable replacement, and what we could afford.

Due to the unsettled situation about printing, we authorized Dick to spend required funds (\$100 limit) to publish the newsletter without seeking prior approval. (4-0)

Brent informed the ExComm that the recipient of the local MERF scholarship (\$300) had been notified, and requested authorization to match that amount, have a public presentation of the combined prize, and publicize the event. Due to an objection, the matter was tabled.

Ben reappointed Brent as Scholarship Committee Chair for 2006, with authority to select other qualified readers as needed for evaluating submissions.(4-0)

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM.