

Cousins Ways and Means Committee Meeting
Quincy Hotel
Washington, DC
November 8, 2008

Meeting opened @ 9:45 with prayer offered by Cousin Ken.

Agenda was reviewed.

By-Laws

Review of By-Laws and order of meetings (Roberts Rules of Order)
Further discussion of by-laws held.

Financial report was read.

Scholarship Report

Duties of Scholarship Committee
Recipient of scholarship to be announced @ Banquet

Scholarship suggestions for fund raising
Ken suggested taking on the project to undertake identifying relatives who are affiliated with community groups.....Greek organizations, owners of businesses, etc. Ken will identify a template
Will formalize a funding process by establishing a template for solicitation
Business Directory development
Suggested to continue to solicit funds: 50-50 raffle, pass the hat

Minutes

From June 26, 2008 Ways and Means Committee Meeting held at Buffalo Reunion were read by members.

Amendment to 50-50 raffle decision was that winners will be posted in hospitality room. If not claimed by Sunday before breakfast, monies will go into scholarship fund.

Overview of Buffalo reunion:

\$640.00 will be submitted by B. Hunt to national. The reunion paid for itself; they held a meat raffle and paid dues to start up fee.

The above amount was based on perceived amount of assessment fee as being \$5.00. It was also mentioned in report that Buffalo had no money initially, that current president was ill, but has since passed away. Parent, Velma Ferguson @ 117 Sycamore; Buffalo, NY 14204, can still be contacted @ (716) 852-6801.

Was moved by Gerald and seconded by Ken to accept Buffalo's report.

Charlotte is requesting help from National.

The pre-contractual agreement and offering from the hotel was in question. Tried to contact Cousin Denis, since she will have to sign contract Monday-11/10/08, via conference call, but cousin was not available.

Discussion about how national could help host chapters with reunions via guide for reunions, reunion committee consisting of cousins who have experience in conduction reunions.

Lunch

Cousins in Attendance

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LST Website

New and improved website shown by Cousin Keith Brevard.
Ken suggested that Keith formally present the website at the Charlotte reunion.
Link will be added to history, etc.

Connection made with Cousin Denis Williams in Charlotte with specifics on the reunion.

Overview from Meeting

1. Formalize scholarship procedure plan
2. Create formal acknowledgement letter for hosting chapters
3. Sherrie – Work on Scholarship Committee being added in By-Laws as a standing committee
4. Coordinate with NC reunion
5. Revise Cousins By-Laws
6. Buffalo, MI, Baltimore, and NY will check on busses for stops to NC reunion
7. Sign up in NC for sign up of Business Directory

Open Forum

Cathy – Fundraiser for her cousin to scratch off for Eastern Stars