

**2012 Cousins Ways and Means Committee Meeting  
Via Conference call  
January 26, 2013**

Call to order @ 10:04 a.m., Presiding: Cousin Cherri Hawkins, National Vice Chairperson

**Chapter Representatives:**

**Baltimore, MD:**

Cousin Ken Shaw, Cousin Angela Shaw

**Buffalo, NY**

Cousin Betty Hunt

**Detroit, MI**

Cousin Cortnie Wilson

**New York / New Jersey**

Cousin Gwen Shannon, Cousin Elaine Shannon, Cousin Endetta Mamine, Cousin Vickie

**Pittsburg**

Cousin John Jackson

**Washington, D.C.**

Cousin Cherrie Hawkins, Cousin Sheila Hawkins

**Minutes**

**Welcome** – Cousin Cherri Hawkins welcomed the representatives to the meeting.

**Prayer** – Cousin Kenneth Shaw led the group in an opening prayer

**Review of the Agenda** – Cousin Cherri Hawkins

A motion was made, seconded and approved to unanimously accept the agenda

**Remarks** – National Chairman, Cousin Ken Shaw

**Approval of 2011 Minutes**

A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the minutes without alterations.

**Committee Reports /Updates**

- **2012 Delaware reunion Closing Report**

The following comparison statistics were reported from the previous three reunions:

(\*See National Financial report for 2011 reunion cost)

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	2010 Baltimore	2011 Atlanta	2012 Delaware	2013 Winston
<b>Hotel</b>				
Total nights	80	76	63	54
Total rooms	30	29	23	21
Rooms Adult	30	29	N/A	N/A
Rooms Child	10	07	N/A	N/A

**Activities**

Registration	59	50	53
Banquet Adult	59	50	45
Banquet Child	19	12	08
Tour	N/A	33	N/A
Patrons	6	5	00
Picnic	65	N/A	66
Dance	75	40	
Prayer Breakfast Adult	33	37	38
Prayer Breakfast Child	12	6	05
Ice Cream Social	15	N/A	N/A
Youth Outing	11	15	

**2012 Event “overages”**

Banquet	0
Tour	0
Breakfast	0

**After a detailed discussion on the impact of the statistics, a motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the reunion report without alterations.**

- **National Financial Report**

Cousin Sheila provided the following information:

Beginning Balance	\$2,177.03
Total income from Reunion (2012)	\$
2012 Reunion Cost hosted by National	\$
 Total	 \$
 2013 National Account balance	 \$2,177.03

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**A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the financial report without alterations.**

- **2011 Scholarship Update**

Cousin Cherri reported that 167 \$1.00 50/50 raffle tickets were sold for the scholarship raffle. The winning ticket was Ticket # 2886 and received \$83.50

Cousin Elsie could not attend but forwarded the information for the scholarship fund.

6 month CD @ .20% \$7,000.00

Scholarship Fund  
Balance on hand \$1,536.46

Total Assets **\$8,536.46**

**A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the scholarship report without alterations.**

- **Youth Committee**

**A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to accept the youth report without alterations.**

**Chapter Updates**

NY - Feb Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> sat in Feb (black history meeting) relative events w/ kids adults  
4x per year

Pittsburg- Struggle to get individuals. interested. John had a Niece move back to area (youth)

Buffalo – not meeting , reorganized

Baltimore – Not meeting cuurently

**Review of bylaws:**

It was noted that the Bylaws should reflect the addition of the yearly 50/50 raffle during the banquet.

### **Cousins Website**

There was discussion among the group on the current webpage and on expanding the organizations use of other social media such as Twitter, Face Book, and MySpace.

### **2013 Reunion Update**

Cousins Ken presented the status of planning for the 2013 reunion.

- 2013 location: Winston-Salem
- Twin Towers Marriott, Downtown Winston Salem
- \$119.00 per night
- Picnic tentatively Tanglewood Park
- Ken will solicit planning participation with local Cousins.

### **Chapter Recommendations**

**NY/New Jersey:** That the use of conference calling be temporarily extended to all future Ways and Means meeting to limit financial impact and allow greater participation.

**Pittsburg:** The organization consider implementing regularly scheduled conference updates

### **Cousins Moving Forward**

**There being no further business, a motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to adjourn**