

Seattle Atheists Membership Meeting June 14, 2009 Capitol Hill Library

Board Members in attendance:

Case – President
Amanda Banerji – Vice President
Jerry Schiffelbein – Treasurer
Rhiannon Lucier – Secretary
Jami Blackann – Member at Large
Randy Rumley – Member at Large

Other members in attendance:

Megan
Kyle
Ben

Treasurer's Update:

188 members
Current Balance: \$6,051.96

Approval of last meeting's minutes: Tabled.

Old Business/Updates:

Membership Meeting with Jim Corbett had good turnout. Topic "Hope for Atheists" was well received. 33 in attendance including board members. Following Town Hall Discussion was "How do you cope and find comfort in the event of someone's death?" A very helpful discussion with many good stories shared.

- U District street fair After Action:
\$371 in Donations/Sales
Suggestion: "bicycle" flags for SA advertising. Amanda to check into them.
Too many people in the booth at a time.
No "guests" hanging in the booth
- Fremont Solstice Parade:
FSM is nearly done.
New bumper stickers are in.
- Scheduling: Still need volunteers for the booth and His Noodliness's Vanguard (FSM Pirates)
Fremont Saturday – first/last shift need one more each.
Dress Rehearsals? Early arrival for overview.

New Business:

- Canopy for SA exclusive use. The current one belongs to Wendy. Should we purchase a tent/awning for SA's specific use? There's a similar canopy at Grocery Outlet for \$59.
vote: unanimously "aye"
- Leasing/Loaning FSM for other events:
Received some interest from other groups to "borrow" the FSM. Would need to

pay for shipping.

- Website: Intent to add link to FSM site (venganza.org) and other FSM information.
- What is needed for Pride Parade:
 - Banners are ready to go. Individual signs to be made.
 - Pirates
 - Wagon Puller
 - Bag Filler/First Aid
- July 3rd Picnic:
 - Raffle Gift Ideas:
 - T-shirts
 - Quotes Signs
 - Mini FSMs
 - BYOF – Bring your own foodstuffs. For personal use or to share.
 - Games: Games are welcome...please bring one!
- Board term limits discussed: Should Officers serve a shorter term or would that interfere with business? Some discussion, tabled until further notice.
- Secretary Position Opening: Rhiannon is moving out of state and a new Secretary should be elected at this year's Member at Large Elections.
- Member at Large Election: Time to make the announcements and call for nominations. Elections in September.
- Proposed "Delivery from Dogma" comedy tour as MeetUp: Good Idea, not suitable for Membership Meeting format.
- Jeff stepping down from SA Book Club: Do we want to keep this running? What can we do to make it better?
 - More Advertising
 - MeetUp Announcements
 - Ranjan to take over?
- Bus Ads: Recently received a Donation of \$500 to continue.
 - New Quotes? More Edgy?
 - PO Box and Phone on the Ads?
 - Combination of new/old quotes
 - (Tabled for further discussion)*
- Public Access update needed from Mike G and Sam

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, June 24 – Sign making party at Megan and Kyle's place. 6pm.

Membership Meeting – July 19 at Greenlake Library, 2pm