FMAS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 5, 2016

Eddie Soler’s house- 17016 NW 22 Street, Pembroke Pines, FL 33028

**Meeting CALLED TO ORDER**: 7:22PM

**Attendees:** Renee Steinman, Eddie Steinman, Allen Strachan, Julio Perez, Gayle Velazquez, Eddie Soler, Dave Thompson

**Review of March 2016 BOB meeting Minutes:** Gayle approves, Eddie Soler seconds but with a correction: Gayle was not in attendance last month

Review of March 2016 Treasurers’ Report meeting Minutes: no treasurer’s report last month

**Florida Resale Certificate:** Julio reached out to Ari, but Ari has been very busy so we haven’t heard back. Julio will follow up again for next month’s meeting.

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|  | SPEAKERS | EVENTS |
| April 26 | Martin Moe – talk on Diadema   * We will reimburse him for his hotel, food, gas * Eddie Steinman will remind Martin Moe * Raffle prize: Apex DOS – Eddie Soler will get it wholesale if possible, retail if not ($280) |  |
| May 24 | Marc Levinson | **Frag Swap** will be at the school May 21st at the school – we will start ASAP   * Dave confirmed the date with Cary * Eddie Soler will send out “Save the Dates” * Gayle will do artwork / postcards for the Frag Swap * Bobby will get regular tables, no school tables * Free admission if you are a member. * School charges $300-$400 for the janitor, plus $150ish for tables and chairs |
| June | SPHS is closed for the summer.  Meeting at Nova University? |  |
| July | No speaker – no meeting. | July 30 picnic at Oleta |
| August | Charlie Gregory? Eddie will find out. At SPHS? | Turtle Release |
| September | Sanyai Yoshi (Saturday) September 24th, confirmed. At Nova? | Poker Run – |
| October | Mark Callahan | Aquarimania Show – October date TBD   * Bobby will get a date (beginning of Oct), get the contract, and confirm the room   + Day: price of $6000 for the Hilton   + 2 days (Saturday and Sunday) at the Hilton: $8000   + Can setup Friday   + West Hall, 30 booths with pipe and drapes. Each additional booth is $50.   + Extra costs of electrical   + Free parking   + Will cost about $10,000 - $20,000 total   Freshwater and Saltwater – we would like to have 50 – 60 booths  We may lose money on it this year, but we are going to make this an annual event  Eddie will run the show and set up a committee |
| November 15th – the week before Thanksgiving (not the week of TG) | Mike Paletta (DATE NEEDS TO BE CLARIFIED AND VERIFIED) – SPS expert – Eddie Soler will reach out to him to confirm the date | Tank Hop |

**WEB SITE / SOCIAL MEDIA:** Dave was added as an admin to both FB pages

**ADDITIONAL EVENTS / FIELD TRIPS:**

Picnic – Eddie Steinman will make the arrangements for Oleta in July

Dave will figure out t-shirts and polo shirts to order. Light blue polo shirts for BOD, maybe gray t-shirts for members?

**RAFFLE Report**

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| Month | Big Raffle Prize Item | Cost of Raffle Prizes | Cash from selling Raffle Tickets | Money PayPayl’ed for Raffle |
| January | GoPro | Fish cost $150  (GoPro was donated) | $320 | $80 |
| February | Band saw | 352.47 |  | 140 |
| March | No big item | Less than $340 | 60 | 40 |
| April |  |  |  |  |
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**Frag Swap 2016, and Aquarimania show!!!!!!!**

Aquaimarnia

Goal: bring back a show to South FL and involve the whole community.

Miami Airport Convention Center –

October may not be so good because budgets have already been set for this year. The very beginning of next year (Jan) would be good time. We tentatively reserved Jan 20th, 2017 – Friday to setup, Show Saturday and Sunday. Cleanup is on Sunday night. 50 booths piped and draped.

BOD approved a budget for this show of $20,000 previously.

Convention center would cost $9760

Eddie Steinman makes a motion to reserve and pay the deposit to the Hilton to book the date. Gayle seconds. All approve.

We should open a separate bank account for Aquarimania. Eddie Soler and Julio will open this account and put $10,000 into it.

Frag Swap

9 booths sold (3 of which became commercial members)

$50 budget for FB ad for frag swap

Raffle prizes: Julio will reach out to BRS to find out if they will send us anything for the raffle

Vectra return pump for big prize?

Meeting Adjourned: 9:06PM