



The Rosicrucian Fellowship MBM#3  
Minutes of the Quarterly Board Meeting of October 25, 2014  
MBM#3 – 2014-10-25

Meeting was called to order and Trustees were called via Skype.

9.15 am - Chair called for roll call for the Quorum, Five Trustees present make a Quorum:  
Trustees present: Dewey Ross Duffel, Jean de Galzain, Jim Noel, Juan Javier Vesga, and Louis Agbe.  
Trustees absent or unreachable: Christopher Gendre, Djissi Kangni, Jean Claude Verdin, Roberto Costa.

9:18 am - Chairman Dewey Ross Duffel asked President Patricia Tinker to open meeting with a prayer

- 1.) Item: **Approval of the Minutes.** Minutes of
  - a.) July 26, 2014 Quarterly Meeting, and
  - b.) August 25, 2014 SWS Meeting.Hearing no objections, Jean moved to approve the minutes of both meetings, Jim Seconded the motion. Unanimous Yes Vote.
- 2.) Item: **Nomination of Officers:** President: Chair indicated that according the current Bylaws the President is elected for a 3 year term. As this is the beginning of her second year, she is automatically confirmed as President. Jim Noel objected to assigning a three-year term to the President. Chair referred him to the 2004 Bylaws.  
Vice-President: Chair moved to retain Jim Noel as Vice-President, Louis seconded the motion. Voted in Favor: Jean. Juan Javier, Louis, Ross. Abstained: Jim. Motion passes  
Treasurer: Jim nominates Angela Ponce de Leon, Ross seconds the motion. Vote unanimous.  
General Secretary: Chair Moves to affirm Jean as General Secretary, Jim seconds the motion. Voted in Favor: Jim. Juan Javier, Louis, Ross. Abstained: Jean. Motion passes.

9.45 am Christopher called to say he is at the Airport and will not be able to attend the meeting.

- 3.) Item: **Retrofit Commission:** Discussion proposed the following names to serve as Retrofit Commission Members: Angela Ponce de Leon, Julio C Palacio Sr, Julio R Palacio, Pablo and Claudia Jimenez, Jim Noel, Louis Agbe, Patricia Tinker, Jean de Galzain. Chair moved that the above-mentioned 9 members be approved to serve on the Retrofit Commission, Jean seconded the motion. Yes Vote unanimous.
- 4.) Item: **Bylaws Revision Committee:** Previous members Daniel Kwabi, Jean, Patricia, Ross were considered. Chair moves to approve the 4 member commission, Jean seconded the motion. Yes Vote unanimous. Jim asked if he could nominate himself. Chair side stepped the question and nominated Jim to the Bylaws Revision Committee. Louis seconded the motion. In Favor: Jean, Juan Javier, Louis, Ross, Abstained: Jim. Motion passes.

10.08 am Roberto Costa joined the meeting

- 5.) Item: **President and Treasurer Quarterly Report:** Report was presented. President and Treasurer asked if there were any questions. Hearing none, Chair moves to approve the Report as given, Louis seconds the motion. Unanimous Yes Vote.
- 6.) Item: **Beckers Legacy Report:** Further clarification will be needed but Chair moves to accept the B.L. Report, Jean seconds the motion, Unanimous Yes Vote.
- 7.) Item: **Fund Raising Committee Report:** Chair Moves to accept the Report, Jean seconded the motion. Vote Unanimous.
- 8.) Item: **Retrofit Commission Report:** Chair moves to accept the Retrofit Commission Report, Louis seconds the motion. Unanimous Yes Vote.
- 9.) Item: **Bylaws Committee Report:** Chair moves to accept the Bylaws Committee Verbal Report, Jim seconds the motion. Unanimous Yes Vote.
- 10.) Item: **Internet Report:** Louis moves that TRF have a special Retrofit page on Website. Roberto seconds the motion. Unanimous Yes Vote.
- 11.) Item: **Website Report:** Chair moves to accept both the Internet Report and the Website Report Louis seconds the motion, Unanimous Yes Vote.
- 12.) Item: **Old Equipment Sale to fund Retrofit:** Chair moves to accept bids for old equipment to be sold to fund retrofit project, Jim seconds the motion. Unanimous Yes Vote.
- 13.) Item: **Election Committee:** Jean moves to approve Election Committee's name submitted: (Angela, Isaida, Jim, Patricia, Jean) Chair seconds the motion. Unanimous Yes Vote.
- 14.) Item: **Shrinking US Members:** Discussion regarding shrinking membership and the need for the Board to establish a plan and to foster efforts to spread the Rosicrucian Teachings in a more modern fashion especially in the US. No decision taken
- 15.) Item: **Management Committee at Mount Ecclesia** Discussion on Jim's idea of a larger Management Committee at Mount Ecclesia. Jean moves that we table the matter until we have a more appropriate plan, Chair seconded the motion. Unanimous Yes Vote.

11.32 am Meeting closes with the Student's prayer. Chair moves to adjourn the meeting. Jean seconds the motion. Unanimous Yes Vote.

Note: Jean Claude communicated after the meeting to say he did not get the BOT Skype call. General Secretary told him he was on the list and was called. GS told him we will watch that more closely next time to make sure he is connected.

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Ross Duffel, Board Chairman

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Jean de Galzain, General Secretary