

Channel Islands Mensa  
ExComm meeting – November 19, 2014

Present:

Saundra King, LocSec  
Laura Nanna, Vice LocSec  
Vaughn (Parkie) Parker, Treasurer  
Gary Ansok, Secretary  
Nancy Bowen, Editor  
William Noack, Circulation Manager

## **I CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm via teleconference by President Saundra King.

## **II OLD BUSINESS**

*Approval of September 23 minutes* – The meeting originally scheduled for October 21 was canceled. It was pointed out that Joe Peel is no longer the Testing Coordinator (Saundra is serving in that position now) Moved (Parkie/Nancy) that the minutes be approved with this corrections – Passed.

*Treasurer's Report* – Current balance \$15,534.43. At last report we had 225 members..

*Scholarship* – Nancy and William have been compiling information. They have many names, and are looking for email addresses. 6 entries have already been submitted. The closing date will be January 15. There are 3 readers lined up. Posters are available for display at schools and libraries. Nancy will write an article for the *Channel M* asking members to pass the information along to anyone who might be interested. Nancy said that there is expense reimbursement up to \$150 from National, but she may go over that and would prefer not to have to wait for National. Moved (Nancy/Parkie) that the Chapter advance Nancy up to \$200, subject to documentation of expenses and repayment from any National reimbursement – Passed..

*Proctors* – Saundra reported that we now have one proctor for each county – Kathleen O'Donnell in Ventura, Penelope Salinger in Santa Barbara, and Gregg Menges in San Luis Obispo. Saundra has stepped down as a proctor. We tested 5 in San Luis Obispo. Saundra did not have information on Santa Barbara or Ventura testing, but Parkie reported that it appeared to be 4 and 1 from the reimbursements, and he had not seen a reimbursement for San Luis Obispo. We may be missing reimbursements for San Luis Obispo, or the data Parkie has may be for an older month. Saundra will follow up.

*Sunday Dinner* – This event will be dark in December. 5 members attended the San Luis Obispo Games Night, which will also be dark in December..

*Other Old Business* – None.

## **III NEW BUSINESS**

*Membership Chair* – We have had some younger members joining, but our officers are mostly retired (or close to it). How can we get the younger members involved in the Chapter, possibly as a membership chair? Nancy said she has seen similar appeals in the Orange County newsletter, which had some success, and will write an article for the *Channel M*. A Membership Chair would contact new members and invite them to get involved – probably 1 for each county. Laura knows of a Santa Barbara person who might be willing. William will review the membership list to look for other potential volunteers.

*Holiday Parties* – Laura will host a party in Santa Barbara on Saturday, December 6, and will be asking specific members for help. A simple menu is planned, to help avoid issues with allergies and other dietary issues. She has received some RSVPs already, including some new members. Moved (Parkie/Nancy) to reimburse Laura for party expenses – Passed.

Claire Gordon will host a party in the San Luis Obispo area on Saturday, December 20. She is not asking for any expense reimbursement, but to be fair it was Moved (Nancy/Gary) to reimburse Claire up to \$300 for party expenses, and that the same limit apply to Laura – Passed.

*Other New Business* –

Nominating Committee – We will be holding elections next year (per the new By-Laws), and we should start getting the Nominating Committee in place. Kevin O'Gorman is willing to chair the Nominating Committee, and this was accepted. We would like to have one person in each county to assist him – Sheila Federman was suggested for Santa Barbara, and Sheila was contacted and accepted.

Newsletter Competition – What do we (as a Chapter) need to do? Nancy didn't know, and hasn't seen anything recent on the Editors email list. Sandra will follow up with National.

#### **IV NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting was scheduled for Saturday, December 6, 2014, at 4:00 pm, to be held at Laura Nanna's (one hour before the holiday party).

#### **V ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gary Ansok  
Secretary, Channel Islands Mensa

[Corrected at the 12/6/2014 meeting: Removed reference to Kevin O'Gorman not able to run for Ombudsman when on the Nominating Committee, as Ombudsman is an appointed office, not part of the ExComm. Also noted that under the new By-Laws, we are electing only ExComm members, not specific officers. Corrected job titles to match new By-Laws. Changed “Christmas Parties” to “Holiday Parties”]