

**Team Saint Louis
Meeting Minutes February 28, 2008**

Meeting called to order at @7:05 by Michael Regier, President who welcomed 12 members.

Alice Tejada took down the minutes and read the January 24, 2008 meeting minutes. Motion was carried to approve and post on the website.

Michael Brown distributed and read the Treasurer's Report – see Attachment A.

BUDGET COMMITTEE:

- A) Volleyball Tournament – expenses are still forthcoming hence, final numbers are still pending. However, based on preliminary estimates the net profit is approximately \$4,000.00.
- B) Merchandise Committee – Jeromy Ruot unavailable; Michael Regier presented Jeromy's notes that the Committee is finalizing the RFP (Request for Proposal) for Board approval. Upon approval, the RFP will be sent to potential bidders.
- C) Travel Committee – this Committee is in dire need of members. Currently, Mike Brown, Ken Becker, Jim Goodwin and David Reyna serve on this committee; any/all members are encouraged to participate. Copenhagen (2009 OutGames) are 16 months away; travel plans need to be in place by this fall. The OutGames website provides information on hotel, sports, etc.: <http://www.copenhagen2009.org/>

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE:

- A) Team Saint Louis Invitational Volleyball Tournament (February 16-17):
A total of 32 teams played – two other cities hosted tournaments on the same date – Puerto Rico (22 teams, predominantly PR and So. Florida teams) and Seattle (31 teams, predominantly Northwest and Canadian teams). St. Louis had the best representation of varying regions.
- B) Upcoming Fundraising Events –
 - 1. March 21st, Variety Show at the Grey Fox, 7p – close (Alice Tejada). No budget/forecast estimated. TSL performers/performances still needed. In lieu of performers, Diane Smith suggested an alternative; TSL members/athletes introduce themselves and share with the audience their Games' experience. Additionally, Betty Neely's DVD will be played in the beginning of the evening. Table tents/flyers will be created to promote other upcoming events.
 - 2. April 5th, Crazy Bowl at Tropicana Lanes, 5:30p – 8:30p (Jim Privitor). Joint venture with Band Together – 50/50 profits split. Cost will be \$20/person or \$70/ 4-person team. Prizes are still needed.
 - 3. April 19th, Trivia Night at The Heights, 6:30p-10p (Shane McVay). No budget/forecast estimated. To date, ten tables have been reserved. Volunteers will be needed for setup/cleanup, judges, runners, concessions, and registration. Jim Goodwin donated a flat panel monitor as a raffle prize. Soft drinks that were unused from the Volleyball Tournament will be used (remaining unopened perishables were donated to Food Outreach).
- C) Committee Meeting – TBD.

PR/OUTREACH COMMITTEE:

- A) Website (Jim Privitor): the new (revamped) site will launch @March. Jim will add the Team Saint Louis link to the outsports.com/Missouri site. The site will be more user-friendly, no longer requiring a log on/log off. Additionally, any TSL photos will be uploaded to the site.
- B) Mark Ebel has contacted the University of Missouri-St. Louis, St. Louis University and Washington University LGBT organizations for future meet and greet with TSL.
- C) Mike Brown volunteered to attend Pride St. Louis meetings. Pride 2008 will possibly be held at Forest Park. The annual Pride Gala will be held at the Millennium Hotel on March 14th.
- D) Next Committee meeting will be March 10th at Absolutli Goosed.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- A) Michael Regier requested any additional nominees for Secretary other than Alice Tejada. Motion carried that Alice would be interim Secretary. The official vote will take place at the next general meeting.
- B) OutGames / Gay Games Evites will be resent. The Evites will provide us with an attendee estimate for each event.
- C) Personalized thank you's/plaques will be sent to Volleyball Tournament sponsors/hosts.
- D) Alice inquired if it would be more efficient to rent a storage unit to house all the TSL items such as, concession stand, promotional items, banners, etc. Michael Brown noted that his basement is adequate to handle all these items and will continue to maintain the inventory.
- E) Next General Meeting date TBD.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.