OFFICIAL MINUTES of the GREATER LOS ANGELES AREA MENSA BOARD of DIRECTORS

Regular Meeting – October 4, 2008

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I. Opening

A. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 1100 by SCHNEIDER at Pilgrim Towers, 440 North Madison Avenue, Pasadena, with members FLEMING, HANNE, LINDENBLATT, MIRKIN, ROBINETT, SAGRAY, SCHNEIDER, TAYLOR, VENOLA, WONG, YU with guests Karin Flores, Brian Madsen and Keith Sagray.

B. Approval of Agenda.

Not in Mini-Minutes

C. Approval of Previous Minutes

Not in Mini-Minutes

II. Reports

A. Executive Officers

RG 2009 Registration numbers did not improve, so the cruise will go ahead but not as an RG. The LA Mentary editor reported that no one helped with mailing the newsletter, and that as a result, electronic versions of the newsletter will no longer be uploaded to the national website before the mailing. Keith Sagray, GLAAM Ombudsman, reported receiving a complaint from a member that the issue of risqué event acronyms was not being seriously addressed.

B. Area Reports

As submitted to the LA Mentary

C. Members-at-Large

Not in Mini-Minutes

D. Standing Committees

RG, newsletter editor and Ombudsman reports in summary of reports.

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A. Motions Passed

- 1. To appoint Lani Mackay as chair of the Regional Gathering Committee.
- 2 To allocate \$600.00 each year to each area for area party or parties.
- 3. To reassign the date of the Board's regular monthly meetings to the following for each respective month: November 22, 2008; December 26, 2008; January 24, 2009; February 28, 2009; March 28, 2009; April 25, 2009; May 30, 2009; June 27, 2009; July 25, 2009; August 22, 2009; September 26, 2009; October 24, 2009; December 26, 2009. The Board's previously scheduled meeting on November 1, 2008 shall be held as previously scheduled in keeping with notice requirements. (The meeting for November 2009 has not been scheduled.)
- 4. To distribute the business of the Board for November 2008 as follows: reports shall be taken on November 1; items requiring Board action or discussion shall be taken on November 22.
- 5. To remove, following notice, the individuals known as the "Retention Committee" from newsletter circulation rolls as of January 1, 2009.
- 6. To approve the submitted budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009, with amendments.
- 7. To authorize contracting with the Warner Center Marriott for venue, accommodations and services for the 2010 Regional Gathering.
- 8. To reimburse Karin Flores \$84.44 for poster expenses.

B. Other discussions

Other discussions included a speech competition proposal, and how to give sufficient airing to membership concerns about event acronyms. Since we are moving Board meetings to third Saturdays without sufficient notice to cancel previously scheduled November meeting, which will also allow members with an opinion on the event acronyms matter, for or against to voice them to the Board on November 22. At the meeting the Board can consider and act upon any motions on the subject as an item of business. As always, all GLAAM members (but members only) are invited to attend; the time and place can be found on the calendar.

IV Closing

- A. Good of the Order
- B. Adjournment..
 Adjourned at 1:20pm

These minutes were recreated using the mini-minutes that were published in the November 2008 issue of the LA Mentary. Kai-An Yu, Secretary of GLAAM, submitted the mini-minutes.