

American Italian Federation Of The Southeast (AIFEDSE)

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Minutes of the AIFEDSE meeting held Sunday January 20, 2013 at Shoen Funeral Home-Canal Street-New Orleans, Louisiana

Agenda:

- There was a call to order followed by prayer and pledge of allegiance.
- A roll call from the list of member organizations was done and introduction of guests.
- Reading of minutes from the AIFEDSE meeting held November 16, 2012 with motion to correct and approve was voted on.
- Joe Piccione gave the Treasurer's Report and received a motion and vote to approve.
- Old business: Joe Di Stefano-Executive Vice-President reported help still needed to put the convention book together and all clubs are encouraged to sell at least \$2,500 worth of ads. All ads must be sold and submitted by the deadline date on the ad sheet. He also requests pictures (with labels on back) of events needed from all clubs naming the event, people and date be sent to him as soon as possible.
 - *President Musso provided samples of letters to all clubs present that can be used to solicit ads for the convention book and said he will also e-mail color template letters.
 - *The following outline of convention events and costs of each were discussed and approved (except for the Hospitality time at the Gulfport Yacht Club "cookie social"-this event was deleted): The agreed schedule of convention events for Saturday April 13, 2013 is to be: 9:00 a.m.-Bocce tournament at host hotel; 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.-Lunch at hospitality room at host hotel; 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. host hotel patio for Italian healthy cooking demonstration by Chef Nino; 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. meeting at Gulfport Yacht Club and election of new officers and possible Genealogy seminar by Sal Serio; 7:00-10:00 p.m.-Dinner Dance at Gulfport Yacht Club. It was agreed if we don't get the needed minimum response for any event, that event will be deleted.
- New business: The theme selected for this year's convention: American Italians-Looking Forward To The Future.
 - *Current (new) pictures of all new club presidents needed as soon as possible.
 - *Joyce Schiro Lucas-Contessa Entellina Heritage Association-says Chef Nino will do a healthy cooking demonstration during the convention on Saturday afternoon between 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the host hotel patio and requests the cost of food to be paid by the Federation. The event will be held at the hospitality room of the hotel. Joyce will talk directly with Amanda Cumberland to coordinate time, place and needs.
 - *Costs: per room for Federation members, with discount; convention schedule dates and times approved.
 - *Each member organization present agreed to provide specific items for lunch at the hospitality room on Saturday April 13, 2013.
 - *Dr. Maria Falco provided details about the scholarship to be presented later today (3:00 p.m.) at Bernstein's "Candide" opera.
- It was agreed the next meeting will be at Andrea's Restaurant in Metairie, Louisiana.
- After all discussion was completed, there was a motion passed to close the meeting.