



ACF MIDDLE TENNESSEE CHAPTER

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors meeting for the American Culinary Federation

Middle Tennessee Chapter Monday, May 10, 2014 5:30 PM Second Harvest, Nashville.

Attendees: Mark Rubin, CEC; Lisa Ramsey, CEC, CEPC; Vince Tyler CEC;

Charles Gillespie, Nancy Campbell, Cathy Hoorman, Cle Jones CC, Brandon Engel,
Tony Ramsey

Call to Order: 5:45pm

Agenda Items:

- Music City Challenge
 - March 31st – April 1st
 - We had 20 contestants
 - Awarded 6 Medals total
 - Made a Profit of just over \$2,000
- Officer Elections
 - Will continue with Nominations at the next meeting, along with any presentations by Nominees.
- Membership Survey
 - Kim Davis presented a completed survey to be used. There were minor modifications made to the survey and the survey was accepted to present online to the members.
- Fundraising Event

- The recommendation from Lisa Ramsey was made to event to November due to other events being held in October
- A suggested theme is Chocolate Harvest Moon – Mark Ruben made known a concern with name being too similar to a Second Harvest event on November 1st.
- Rough Outlines were presented by Lisa Ramsey; Event open to Local Chefs and pastry Chefs, Desserts must include Chocolate, 300 samples would need to be served along with 3 show plates for the judges, The Judges would select winners along with a People’s Choice Award – Voted on by guests.
- Beverages considerations are drinks created using Chocolate from local Vendors
- Center Stage Event ACF of the Year Demonstrations by Geoff Blount CEPC.
- Possible Student Challenge to create the Largest Chocolate Guitar – There is no current Guinness Book Record for this.
- Vince Tyler will research the ability to set a Guinness Book of World Records entry for the Event.
- Possibly having a Raffle/Drawing for a chocolate Diamond with Raffle Numbers being in the bottom of a Chocolate Dessert.
- Competitors can promote their establishment at the event on their tables as well as on our website.
- (See Attachments)
- AAC DeCambra Inspire Fund /Challenge
 - Lisa Ramsey presented the Board with the Challenge to the Board members to match her donations for the event. Then ask the Members to Match that Donation amount next meeting, through donations and the Raffle. The Middle Tennessee Chapter will be challenged to match those combined donations.
 - Lisa Ramsey’s Donation is \$100, it was matched by Vince Tyler, Mark Ruben donated \$20.
- Bad Email Addresses
 - Bad emails were reviewed by the group in order to rid the data base of them.
- May meeting Agenda
 - Nashville State Community College
 - Only minor modifications were made. (See Attachment)
- Need for new Board Members
 - Mark Ruben the need for additional Board Members
- Locations for the future
 - June meeting will be held at
 - Chelsea Bistro
5432 Clarksville Pike, Whites Creek, TN
- By Law revisions
 - Recommended Bylaw changes were made and reviewed, Lisa Ramsey will put the changes together for review and presentation to the national Bylaws committee

Round Table Items:

Lisa Ramsey has won a Bakery Training session through - The Dames d'Escoffier Society

Next Board Meeting 6/9/14