SERFA 2019 Board Meeting May 18 2019

Attendees: Grady Ormsby, Don Baker, Denise Williams, Roberta Schultz, Art Menius, Abby Parks, Jefferson Ross, Isabel Taylor (minute-taker)

Called to order 1:04pm

Agenda/discussion:

- Approve Minutes from July
 - Don asked for review of the meeting minutes Roberta prepared
 - Grady moved to approve; Jefferson seconded. Minutes were approved.
- Election of officers for 2019-2020
 - President: Grady nominated Abby for president; Jefferson seconded
 - Vice President: Don nominated; Denise seconded
 - Secretary: Don nominated Roberta; Grady seconded
 - o Treasurer: Jefferson nominated Denise; Don seconded
 - Don moved to approve the slate as nominated; Gray seconded. All in favor, none opposed.
 - Action item: Isabel will update the web site to reflect new slate
- Set time period and location priorities for retreat
 - Options Highlander/Knoxville, Montreat, Chattanooga, Johnson City.
 - Action item: Art will check with Highlander to see if they're booking
 - Dates Week of July 15 Tu/We/Th looks good for many
 - Action item: Roberta and Grady will advise if these dates will work for them
- Brainstorm retreat topics
 - Review surveys, facts/figures from Chattanooga conference
 - We have an "out clause" in the contract; we can back out; end of June is what Art remembers as the date by which we need to advise The Chattanoogan
 - SERFA presence at FAI in NOLA, Jan 2020
 - Discuss who we wish to invite to open positions on the Board
 - Brainstorm awards, keynote, and Wisdom possibilities
 - Brainstorm Wednesday evening event ideas; if Songbirds, ways to improve the event
 - Establish committees
 - Long range plan; flesh out with more detail
 - Ad hoc topics
- New business
 - Board is reviewing the LOA with possibility of revising it. Roberta prepared statement extending the current LOA until July 1. Abby and Art signed two copies
 - Action item: Board will review/revise LOA
 - Art gave full refunds to two people who canceled due to extenuating circumstances –
 Sarah Clanton and one other
- Jefferson motioned to adjourn