RICHARD III SOCIETY BOARD MEETING Sunday, April 22nd 2012

Present: J. Bloomquist, J. Hayes, D. Hoffman, A. McVey, J. Szechtman, N. Musgrave, W. Ingalls.

The meeting was called to order at 4:07pm ET by chairman J. Bloomquist.

MINUTES. The minutes were approved as written.

AGM Victoria has notified us that they have contacted a company that runs a minibus service from the Pearson Airport. Anyone wishing to use it should notify the Canadians of their time of arrival when they register.

Jacqueline was hoping that it would be possible to change money at the airport. Most people thought it would be, it was also mentioned that there would probably be an ATM at the hotel.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE. Wayne plans to put a notice in the Register asking for nominations. He would also like it to be put on the Blog. He will put up the job descriptions also. Diane felt that the description for her job needs rewriting in light of her experiences whilst holding the position. She will rewrite it and give it to Joan for inclusion in the Register. All other Board members are asked to check their own job description and if it needs changing to let Joan have the changes as soon as possible.

Amber told us that William had created a database for her but it is hosted on their website so a new membership chair would not be able to use it. They will move it to another site so it can be accessed by a new person.

There was discussion about whether or not we should consider incorporating in another state which does not have state income tax. This would save us the trouble of filing a 990 form, because for now, we should qualify for filing a simpler "postcard form" for the IRS, and it would save the cost of the NY filing which is \$60. It is the NY state rules which now require us to file the 990 form.

Joan suggested using tax exempt software to help when filing taxes. Diane has designed her own spreadsheets to help with this and would not likely change since she has only one more return to file. But it might be worthwhile for a new treasurer to use it. Diane said she would look at the software site Joan suggested.

WEBSITE William tried to open an account to pay a site that would host our website. A credit card was required and since he knew we did not have a credit card he didn't take it any further. However we do have a debit card which can be used in situations like this. Diane will use the society debit card to open the account after William has contacted her with the information. When the account is opened, Diane will add site managers, ie William and Lisa.

Jacqueline announced that she has still not taken possession of the books which Judy Pimenthal plans to donate to the society. She has apparently been worried about how to pack them. There are apparently about 100 -120 books. Jacqueline will try to get a list from Judy, and the librarians will be asked to check the list for books they would like for their library. These will be the ones we will ask Judy to send. Priority mail or media mail might be the cheapest way to send them.

DUES Diane announced that the parent Society has raised the membership dues this year to 18 pounds. We paid them 5238 pounds for the memberships and paid 288 pounds additional to the UK Society to cover their Paypal fees which made a total of \$9018.29. It is her opinion that the dues need to be raised. Diane plans to check and see what it would cost to send a draft in pounds sterling as opposed to using Paypal. She will report the difference, if any. Joan said she had heard that Barclays has a deal for overseas transactions. There was no interest in setting up an account there. Diane has tax papers which need Jacqueline's signature. She will send them and will need them returned right away.

The board was told of the death of long time member Joan Marshall. Before moving to the Southwest, Joan had been a member of the Illinois chapter. No further details were known at this time.

The meeting was closed at 5:16pm ET and the next meeting is scheduled for June 10^{th} at 4pm ET.