

Meeting attended by: **Emily Newton, Compton Reeves, Joan Szechtman, Deborah Kaback, Susan Troxell, Cheryl Greer**

- I. GMM 2020 - Susan
 - a. Reviewing budget.
 - i. Fixed cost vs. sliding costs.
 1. Fixed costs.
 - a. With all fixed costs considered, \$153 registration fee rolled down to \$150 per person registration.
 2. Sliding costs.
 - a. Banquet, outings, and fundraiser, to be covered by additional payment by attendees
 - ii. Hotel rate is \$134 per night, does not include breakfast.
 - iii. We received tax exemption.
 - iv. We are putting speakers' hotel rooms on the master bill.
 - v. We should think up a memento to give to each of the speakers – This is already in the budget
 - vi. The branch will cover the Friday reception.
 - vii. Miscellany:
 1. Consider Dicken award recipient at future meeting, for service to the American Branch.
 2. Consider Angel award – What was the qualifying amount?
 - viii. Are we happy with the \$150 registration fee?
 1. \$30 higher per person from previous GMM.
 2. Offering a lot of “bang for your buck” with speakers and outing.
 - a. The viewing of the scroll, in particular, should have a lot of appeal, because our branch paid for the restoration of the scroll in the 90s.
 - b. We need to promote this even in order to get attendees.
 - i. Put it on social media.
 - ii. Put it in the bulletin.
 - iii. Put it in the newsletter.
 - iv. Send e-blasts.
 - c. How to budget the Saturday banquet.
 - i. Should we charge a flat meal fee, or should people pay for what they're eating?
 1. The hotel will charge a different price per meal, so people should pay for what they're eating.
 - d. Eventbrite
 - i. This is being considered for registration, and there will be convenience fees.

1. Should the branch or the attendee pay the fees?
 - a. The attendee should pay the fee, since there will be fee-free alternatives for registration.
 - e. Future thoughts: The cost of the activity GMM is completely cost prohibitive for young adults. Perhaps considering a student cost or a student scholarship to offer financial assistance for enthusiastic young adults and/or students.
- II. Officers - Compton
- a. We're doing well with new officers in line for October.
 - i. We've got interest for Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chair
 - ii. We are missing the Chair.
 - b. How will we transition with the new board, since a majority of the board will leave at the same time?
 - i. October meeting with current board and new board.
 - ii. Compton may extend his term temporarily while the Treasurer role is transferred.

Meeting concludes. 6:10 PM, est.

Next quarterly call April 26, 2020 at 5:00 PM, est.