

BFSNA General Meeting Minutes, March 13, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Andrew Partham at 7:05.

Treasurer's Report -- Total available funds	\$4646.63
Scholarship funds	1036.48
Overall total	\$5683.11

Additionally, there is a sum of over \$1000 earned from the cocktail party for the scholarship fund that has not yet been totaled and added to the account because there are still funds coming in.

Secretary's Report -- The minutes of the February meeting were accepted.

#### Program

Sandy Martin of the Youth Workers' Alliance requested our assistance in the annual youth art auction to be held at the Boston Center for the Arts (Cyclorama) on May 22. This is the Alliance's major fundraiser of the year. It was moved, seconded and passed that we commit to selling 20 tickets, partner, and volunteer in this endeavor.

Joseph Spinale had requested that we see what can be done to get the city to clean Father Gilday Street. The street looks terrible and this may be contributing to a rash of car break-ins. Sherwood will do some e-mailing, but the important step is that the residents of the street must sign a petition that they want the street cleaning to be performed and signs to be put up. Haven Street and E. Newton were also mentioned as streets that need cleaning.

Rabi of Siraj Café at 472 Shawmut Avenue requested that the organization support their endeavor to obtain a beer and wine license and to extend their closing time from 9:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The membership unanimously voted to support the proposal.

Foodies, 1421 Washington Street, is also hoping to obtain a beer and wine license. A representative was not present. The membership decided that before we could support such a move, we'd need to know particulars like the percentage of space of the store that would be given over to alcohol, the type of containers that the alcohol would be sold in, and the hours of the store.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45.