

**ACF Chefs of Milwaukee  
Board of Directors' Meeting  
April 13, 2009**

The ACF Chefs of Milwaukee held its regular board meeting at Western Racquet Club on April 13 at 5:30pm.

**Present (✓):**

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| ✓ Dawn Albrecht | Ellen Lilburn           |
| Tony Cuirrio    | ✓ Chuck Meitner         |
| ✓ John Damico   | ✓ Mic Pietrykowski      |
| David Davidson  | Rebecca Skroback (MATC) |
| Steve Johnson   | Tom Surwillo            |
| ✓ Jeff King     | Walter Wolf             |
| ✓ Jess Koutecky | Gregg Wozniak           |

Others in Attendance:  
Jovan Djokovic

**Minutes were presented:**

Mic Pietrykowski moved to approve the minutes.  
Jess Koutecky seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

**Presidents Report:**

Keith Best has resigned from the ACF board. Looking for a new Purveyor Rep. Jovan Djokovic volunteered.

Jovan would need to solicit articles from other purveyors on trends beyond just their products. Term for appointed position ends when the president's position ends.

John Damico will be leaving ACF for medical reasons. He will hopefully rejoining us in two years. We will need a new membership chair. Chuck Meitner was thinking Steve Johnson might be a good fit for the position. John Damico suggested opening it up at the dinner meeting. Darwing Cruz and Chuck Stepanovich were also suggested. Mic Pietrykowski suggested that Darwing and Chuck could be a committee.

Jeff King will contact Walter Wolf to see about his health. Jeff King will also pick up a card to be signed at the next dinner meeting for Walter.

It's time for the Traveling Chef award. Are there any members who get extra points for work above and beyond?

Mic Pietrykowski recommends Steve Johnson gets one extra point for CBVIC dinner.

Mic Pietrykowski suggested Greg Abate gets an extra point for COY dinner.

Jeff Slough for Ronald McDonald House event.

Chuck Stepanovich for representing the ACF at the regional conference competition.

The board agreed to give the suggested people each an additional point for their work representing the chapter.

**Treasurer's Report: Report.**

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| \$1192.94  | Checking       |
| \$1783.39  | Money Market   |
| \$15321.73 | CD Due October |
| \$10,000   | CD Due May     |
| \$28298.06 | Total          |

Taxes from last year and this year were squared away this year. Chuck Meitner and Jess Koutecky went through the books for the last two years. Jess Koutecky and Chuck Meitner stopped at the accountant's office and all of the books are now up to date in the computer. All of the taxes are with the accountants. As a non-profit, our taxes are due May 15<sup>th</sup>. Mic Pietrykowski suggested that the IRS has the name wrong for the ACF Chefs of Milwaukee and that needed to be checked and/or changed.

There is a chance we will have to pay a penalty for not filing taxes for 2007. There is a possibility that the chapter will switch to a different accountant in the future.

Jess Koutecky went to the bank to see if we can cash the CD in early. There will be a \$64 penalty for early cashing. Chuck Meitner said that the bank should be able to give the money for the CD by Friday. Chuck Meitner will go with her if need be on Friday morning.

Outstanding bills: OCC \$2000; ProStart \$1500; Potawatomi \$2000; Western Racquet \$750; Conference \$860.

Chuck Meitner said that Jess Koutecky should pay OCC tomorrow.

Jess Koutecky moved to cash in the \$10,000 CD early and pay the \$64 penalty. Mic Pietrykowski seconded. Motion passed.

John Damico moved to accept the treasurer's report. Jeff King seconded. Motion passed.

**Committee Reports****Apprenticeship:****Certification:**

At least three chefs are interested in certification: Chuck Stepanovich, John Damico and Ken from Pine Hills.

Jovan Djokovic would like to get CEC

Jeff King is trying to arrange a location for a local certification testing possibly in conjunction with the Windy City Chapter. Chuck Stepanovich might be able to opt out of the practical testing.

Chuck Meitner suggested putting a date on the books for the first meeting for practicing for the practical testing.

There are a number of different chefs in the chapter that can help with giving guidance for the chefs practicing for their practical test due to their competition testing and judging experience.

ACF National said the biggest problem with testing is there aren't enough approved written test sites. The closest one is at West Bend Airport.

Jeff King will get an article to Dawn Albrecht by Monday for the website regarding testing and certification.

Mic Pietrykowski suggested finding out when Chicago is doing it so that we could do testing with their chapter.

**Education:**

| Month                          | Location                | Education Program |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| April                          | Pine Hills (Ken Turner) | Cranberries       |
| September                      | Tripoli CC              | Sprecher          |
| Education suggestions:<br>Beer |                         |                   |

Mic Pietrykowski suggested doing the educational portion during the meal. Chuck Meitner said that we cannot change it for the April meeting. Chuck Meitner will ask the presenters to talk a bit during the dinner.

After entrée before dessert for the educational seminar.

**Communications:**

Newsletter is on line. Postcards are also out.

Dawn Albrecht will fix the board meeting minutes links and put the Chef and Child pictures on-line.

**Purveyor:** Nothing new to report.

**Junior Member News:** Nothing new to report.

**Membership:**

Members:  
35 Students,  
8 Associates,  
1 Allied,  
50 Professional,  
2 Junior,  
8 Seniors,  
2 Culinarians.  
1 Culinary Enthusiast

**Website:**

### **Chef and Child:**

Everything went well. Six courses ran long – twenty minutes a course – good time for service, but still a long dinner. There are approximately \$300 in expenses from Western Racquet Club. WCTC students enjoyed working the kitchen. Ellen Lilburn's daughter Charlie was valuable help.

The wine was donated and was limited to one pour. Chuck Meitner suggested pouring wine first thing instead of waiting to pour it until the fourth course. Possibly have the tables buy wine or corkage.

CBVIC auctioned off a chef in the house for \$1050. Could more chefs offer to do the dinners in the home?

Mic Pietrykowski complimented Steve Johnson on a job well done.

### **Fundraisers:**

Tom Surwillo said that the fundraiser diner will be pushed off until the fall.

A fundraiser dinner burned out volunteer chairs.

Jeff King suggested going back to the educational fair and opening it to the public. Chuck Meitner wants to know who's going to organize it. What about using a student planning organization?

Jeff King will contact an event planning organization to see what they would charge to help organize an educational fair with ACF volunteers.

Mic Pietrykowski will bring videos and wine to be auctioned off at the next dinner meeting.

### **Old Business**

#### **Education Fair:**

#### **Awards Nomination Committee:**

### **New Business**

**National Conference:** Will be discussed in May.

#### **Hot Food Competition:**

**Awards Nomination Committee suggestions:**

**Student/Chef Partnership:**

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The next board meeting will be May 18, 2009 at WRC.**

**Respectfully submitted by,  
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For Jeff King  
Chapter Secretary**