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Present: Bede Mitchell, Rosemarie Stallworth Clark, Laura Wheaton, Molly Sisson, Yolanda Copeland, Alva Wilbanks.

Consent Agenda:
1. Minutes of the April Meeting (previously distributed)
2. Financial Report
   Balance, March 1, 2013: $7041.16
   Income: Day for Southern 29.96
   Donation-Copeland 200.00
   (Emp. Apprec. Event)
   Expenses: S’boro Herald -314.54
   (Community Pride Ad)
   Admin Fees - 1.50

   Balance, March 31, 2013: $6955.08

Farm to Table Update:
Bede reported that he and Laura had met with Chef Case and Stan Akins regarding the menu. They will develop a menu that will be authentic to the Charleston and South Carolina cuisine. Laura suggested a pre-dinner drink be served. It was decided that the meal will not be served family style, bottles of wine will be placed on the tables, and that a coffee and water station will be set up so that guests may help themselves more throughout the evening. A draft menu should be available within the next two weeks. Bede will follow up with the Chef by May 20th. The date is scheduled for July 25 and the location has been changed back to the Nessmith-Lane Ballroom.

Decorations will be handled by Yolanda and Rosemarie and several suggestions were voiced.

Publicity posters and flyers were reviewed and changes made. The revisions will be sent to the members for approval prior to printing.

Volunteering to Promote Farm to Table and Library at Farmers Market and all other F2T Promotion:
Bede will send the council an email soliciting help to cover the library’s table at the upcoming Farmers Markets on Saturday mornings. He reported that we now have tent that is easy to set up. The members discussed how to serve samples of sweet tea with different flavors at the market. Laura and Bede will plan the details using suggestions discussed.

Rosemarie asked about getting a copy of the council’s elevator speech to use when talking to individuals at the market, etc. Bede will send it out to the group.

Alva will send out a new “save the date” to the Friends email list and add the information to the surrounding area’s calendars. The library’s Facebook and Twitter accounts will be given the
information also. Yolanda offered to take flyers to local businesses. Once the flyer is revised, a copy will be sent to the committee so they can print off copies to give out or to email on to friends.

Bede suggested we consider offering a $10 ticket reduction to anyone who brings a guest that has not attended a F2T. The group liked the idea.

The URL for the speaker’s webpage, Ken Burger, is listed for the committee’s viewing. Bede will also check on the possibility of getting permission to use one of his video’s for publicity. We will also check on U-Tube. http://www.kenburgerblog.com/

The group discussed the value of paying more to have a good speaker that will draw a good crowd.