



MINUTES FOR OFFICERS' ZOOM MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 2, 2020

- **Sick Benefits:** Nothing to report.
- **Death Benefits:** Nothing to report.
- **Pension:** The April Pension Payment was disbursed to 151 members on Thursday, June 25th. 150 members received it by ACH transfer; all transfers went through. One member, Robert Floch will receive a manual check, we are waiting for confirmation of his new address before the check can be mailed.
Diane sent an email to the estate attorney of Paul Etasse, former member of the Société for 66 years, who passed away last August of 2019. The office was not informed of his death and two pension payments were made to his bank account which remained opened. A reimbursement check was received in the amount of \$2,329.05 for the two pension payments Mr. Etasse received.
- **Dinner Dance:** Alain Quirin said that the Yale Club is still closed, waiting for it to reopen before a new date can be set. We are going to stay with the Yale Club and also will stay with the same band, Manhattan City Music.
- **Culinarians' Home Foundation:** On Friday, June 26th Jean LeRouzic went to the Home. He and Terry had a meeting by the garage. Everyone is okay. Some of the residents are getting restless, they miss their family. The air conditioner on the second and third floors are not working.
- **Dues:** 9 members still owe their dues.
- **Picnic:** The 2020 Picnic has been cancelled out of concern for the health of the residents of the Home as well as the participants of the picnic.
Cancellation Letter and request for \$200 refund for deposit sent to Coach Bus on June 30th.
- **Jules Weber Foundation:** Nothing to report.
- **Newsletter:** Louise Hoffman to report.
- **Cemeteries:** Nothing to report.
- **Office:**
Ordered Apple 13-inch MacBook Air for office plus AppleCare – **Cost = \$1,957.57**
The 2020 donations and scholarships letters and checks were mailed on Monday and Tuesday, June 29th and 30th.
Updated 3 accounts: Société, Culinarian Home & Jules Weber with three months of hand written checks and electronic checks.
Ordered Honeywell 14,000 BTU portable Air Conditioner for office – **Cost = \$686.45.**

- **Chapters:**
 - Mid-Hudson Chapter: Cynthia Keller spoke about the school. She said it's a complicated mess. They are hoping to have students and staff back in kitchens by August 10th. It's difficult with the International students who have to quarantine.
 - NJ Chapter: Michael Latour was hoping to have a meeting at the Joe Jefferson Club. It is still closed.
 - Florida Chapter: Nothing to report.
 - LI Chapter: Nothing to report.

- **Report by the Committee of French Speaking Societies:** Nothing to report.

- **Special Activities and Outings:** Nothing to report.

- **Archivist:** Jacques Coustar spoke about his conversation with Morand Daré. Morand wants to donate cook books to the Société. Jacques will coordinate with him. Jacques also spoke about Franz Wielanders' wife, who is very ill.

- **Miscellaneous:** Pascal Petiteau is serving patrons at his restaurant outdoors; it is all they can do, they don't have a choice. Most of his staff has come back to work.
 - Michael Latour can seat 20 people at his outdoor café. He can't serve fine dining outdoors. His staff would rather collect unemployment than come back to work. He can hold on for a while; hoping for the best.
 - Sébastien Baud said it is a waiting game about the food competition.

Mr. Guillotin asked if anyone had any comments.