



MATLACHA HOOKERS
JULY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: JUNE 29, 2023

6:00 p.m. @ Deb Syring's New Home
5224 SW 19th Avenue
Cape Coral

Call to Order by Madam DJ at 6:05

Attendance: DJ Ruscik, Julia Gaylor, Carolyn Ryzanych, Deb Syring, Tania Watkins, Linda Bohacek, Natalie Garza, Lorie Tidwell, Darcy Conner, Christy Rau

Absent: Joanne Coreria

BOARD REPORTS

Madam DJ Ruscik

1. 50/50: Chamber of Commerce, we will bring to general membership
2. Hooker Business:
 - a. Board Voting on Minutes, Financials or Requests should be prompt by email, not text please; if there is a message that needs to go to one member of the group, please send to the individual;
 - b. Solicitation of Contributions Annual Filing; filing was done on time; FL Dept of Agriculture reached out to DJ regarding tax returns that are needed. Their auditors now require the previous years filed returns. They recommended that we have asked for a 180-day extension; DJ reached out to our CPA to make her aware of the new information
 - c. Directors Liability Insurance- Julia is looking into this; from Assured Partners in Florida our contact is Heather, she will send us a packet to complete; we will need to submit financials
 - d. Storage Insurance; Chapman Insurance coverage effective today, June 29th; \$689 for a year for \$20K coverage. This does not cover wind and hail damage
 - e. MangoMania - July 15, 2023 at OLMM Catholic Church in Bokeelia; Merchandise will have a booth; cooling ties will be sold at the merchandise booth; Travel Raffle tickets will be sold at the event; Darcy will ask Dave to create a Travel Raffle Shirts; DJ will bring a cooler for cooling ties; Cynthia did an inventory of the trailer of Chamber of Commerce items; VFW has offered to have our trailer stored at their property; we will keep it where it currently is.
 - f. Pine Island Auto – Summer Months offer for all Matlacha Hookers – 25% off Oil Changes and 15% off Major Repairs. Through the summer months. Julia will place the information in the Hooker Herald.
 - g. Invoice Process/Procedures- Deb pay the invoice yourself or send the invoice to Deb for payment; send an email to Deb on where to send the check; and what it was

for and which event the invoice was for; explanation to Deb on why we are paying them.

3. Fundraising:

- a. Travel Raffle - Darcy- Update- After MangoMania get an accounting of where we stand with the raffle;
- b. P.I.E. Derby - Julia – Update- Will have finals soon. Will add to general meeting agenda. Julia will let membership know how the post event meeting went. We will look at potential locations where we can have both events together; if we only have the children's derby, have it all in one area; Bokeelia pier is currently being re-built; Knights Landing is open to have the event in May; pictures will be posted on social media and thank you cards will be sent to supporters; send Diane a photo and thank you as well as a photo of Ken from Moose to submit to Moose
- c. Water Lantern Festival - Lorie – Update- They do not have a location or date; they envision Hookers helping with Lantern Kits, registration; they will need 25-30 people for 4-hour morning shift 40 people for 8-hour shift; we receive \$44. Per person for 4-hour shift, \$88. Per person for 8-hour shift; need people who cans stand for 4–8-hour shift and lift 30 pounds.
- d. ArtFest – Response- no response; discuss email from Hooker member; DJ will contact member directly and respond
- e. Merchandise - Linda-25th Anniversary T-Shirt; we have 3 submissions for design; deadline is August 1st; Billie and Jeannie gave Linda some vintage t shirts; we will add a silver hook; entries will be entered and voted on at the August general membership meeting; Lorie will reach out to Diane to enter in the contest; raised \$271. In merchandise; have orders for MangoMania.

4. Financial Requests:

- a. SAL Basket reminder – July 15th-reminder to Merchandise to have a basket created.
- b. Kowiachobee Animal Preserve – Sunday, July 16th - Meg/DJ – Basket(s) Linda will bring items to the general meeting to make a basket.

5. Pine Island Cares: Hurricane Recovery Program

a. Local Business Grant; Update; Committee Members received 12 eligible applicants; 2 are for the same family that has 2 separate businesses; we will give 11 grants and the family with 2 businesses will receive 1 grant.; let those that had incomplete applications that they were missing information and had time to send in the information; committee discussed doing this again.

b. Working on preparedness kits- idea is to give them out in August for any resident on the island, full or part time; including information regarding other organizations that have resources. Generator 7500 w propane and gasoline powered, gas can \$50 gift card and other items. will be raffled at MangoMania; 1 \$10.00 raffle tickets; those monies will go to Scholarship for a first responder or emergency management. Thank you to Lorie for assistance with the process.

Vice Madam Julia Gaylor, Membership

a) Membership Report: 212 members; 93 are brand new since August 2022; renewal process will open up in August.

Secretary, Carolyn Ryzanych

a) Review and approval of general minutes: Darcy Conner made motion to approve; motion carried with 7 approvals

b) Mail: read 1 thank you letter from the Food Pantry

Treasurer, Deb Syring

a) Review and approval of financial reports: Linda made motion to approve financials; motion carried.

Chaplain, Tania Watkins

a) Chaplin Report:

b) Outreach Report: N/A

c) Tania will send a sympathy card to Adrienne's life partner

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

1. Community Support

a) Trash Master/Adopt a Road - Lorie – July 29th at 8:30am meet at Blue Dog in Matlacha. Sign-up sheet at the next general meeting.

b) Pine Island Food Pantry needs continue to be posted in the Hooker Herald

d) Fourth of July Celebration - Tania – have over 2,000 ice pops; need reflection vests; DJ will provide the speaker; arrive by 9:00 a.m. at Winn Dixie

e) School Supply Drive – Christy- bins are placed; article sent to Pine Island Eagle.

1) Stuff the Trailer event, Hookers/Pine Island Auto – Saturday, July 22nd – DJ need 2-4 volunteers; pick up the bins; have the route in the Eagle and do a 50/50 during the route.

f) Blood Drive: August 5, 2023; Methodist Church, 10:00-3:00 - DJ

g) FISH Basket Brigade-Clothing Drive- Darcy- August 5, 2023 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Lee Health will be there doing health checks; sent over 244 text messages to families; next 2 weeks will have the list; Hookers will sponsor 20 children; will ask for 2 volunteers to do the shopping; will bring to membership meeting. There will be a Kiwanis pool party at the community pool.

h) Add to agenda cell phones are silent and be respectful when someone is speaking to give their undivided attention.

OTHER:

Next Board Meeting: August 7, 2023 6:00 p.m. Location: Salty Girl Island Cafe

Next General Meeting: Monday, July 10, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. Location: TBD

Linda Bohacek made motion to adjourn @ 8:00 p.m.

