

MATLACHA HOOKERS

General Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2018

Call to Order/ Madam DouZie – call to order at 6:07pm

Pledge lead by – Ginny Neff

Invocation – Chaplain Billie Young – Standing in Genie Andrews

BOARD REPORTS

Madam DouZie: Julia Simpson

- a) 50/50 - Suggestions – Monday Music Motion made by: Elida Byard All in favor.
- b) Fundraising – grant filled out for the woman’s legacy fund of SWFLA, Vankirk Brothers (previous president and VP of the Mariners) facilitated the grant writing and the submission of the application
- c) Financial Requests – None at this time
- d) Hooker Business –Florida Alliance of the Arts Award- Madam DouZie talked about her speech and the night of the awards. DJ Rusick inquired if the school needs volunteers for fall. Ginny Neff spoke about the reading with your pup at the school on Tuesday AM. Madam will reach out Principal Hook about the need for volunteers.
- e) 4th of July float – so much fun! Thanks to Angie & Sean Darr for allowing us to use their boat. Music we played at the parade, Billy Cass. Wanted to try to reach-out to him to sing at the derby. Lois Lemke thanks DJ for her boat handling skills when she came and picked up the boat from her house.
- f) Next meeting at Boun Appetito – discussion regarding places for the next upcoming meetings. Always a challenge. Madam Thanks Berts and their staff including thanking all of the members for coming out tonight.

Vice Madam – Helen Andrews

- a) Membership – membership 229/ 41 in attendance tonight
Swearing in New Members – Deb Shipman, Erica Knabb..
- b) Call Girls – thank you Lorie Tidwell, DJ Rusick for helping this evening. Two volunteers for next meeting: Kate Swanstrom & Anita Jannotti.
- c) Birthdays – July birthdays – members sang to the July birthdays!

Secretary – Cindy Walton – not present

- a) Review and Approval of June 2018 Minutes Motion to accept minutes made by Lorie Tidwell, All in favor.
- b) Online Votes – none that Madam could recall
- c) Read Mail – no mail

Treasurer – Ginny Neff

- a) Review Financials – May Financials – Explaining struggles with the switch over to the new bank. Ginny needs to look up a \$400 expense that we were unable to recall. Ginny also has decided in the best interest of our financials and to have extra eyes that she now has a committee helping her. The committee consists of Dee Hanks & Karen Garside. Financials have been tabled for May until the question regarding the \$400 is answered.
- b) Paying dues with cash or check with no additional documentation is hard to track. Please fill out the application again if changes or make sure to write Hooker Renewal in the memo line of

your check if NO changes. If sending cash, please include a completed application so you are assured that your membership dues are accounted for and credited to You.

**meeting was interrupted by Madam DouZie spotting a huge alligator. It was determined to be a Sea Croc and Lorie Tidwell suggested we make him an honorary member. Madam Agreed.

Chaplain – Billie Young – Standing in Genie Andrews

- a) Chaplin Report – Card Shower for Dee Hanks in attendance and Dee thanks everyone for their kind wishes and thoughts.
- b) Outreach Report – 2 check requests: 1 for medical/1 for assistance to pay rent
- c) Billy’s famous joke! Genie did well delivering the members a great laugh. “Hello, do you see Betty Crocker written on my forehead” Madam Blushed!

Events & Activities –

1: Hooker Business:

- A. Elections/Nominations – Lorie Tidwell updates: committee consists of: Karen Garside, Sonya Leonard, Theresa Kramer, Bonnie Kellen and Lorie Tidwell. Lorie advised the membership that all this info she was about to share would go out in a HH soon so not to worry if you don’t remember everything.

1: Nominations- members can be nominated online and at the September 10th Meeting
October 8th Nominations have been accepted. Reminder to all members’ Dues must be paid to vote in the election or to accept a nomination.
November 12th Vote Night and Winners will be revealed that night before the end of the meeting.

Lorie went on to discuss the importance of nominating and voting for all the positions open on the board and also encouraged the members that being on the board is fun, and you get to meet all kinds of new people. All the info will go out in a HH. Committee members who were present were introduced to the audience.

Madam DouZie encouraged the general membership to just take a chance and be on the board. If anyone is interested they are invited to come to the board meetings that are open to all members or speak to one of us on the board. Board meetings are 1st Monday of the month at 6pm, Little Lilly’s Island Deli.

2: Fundraisers

A. Dedicated

- 1) Scholarships –
 - a: Note Cards – Report Billie – Genie Andrews- all occasion cards are on sale and will be at Mango Mania. 4/\$5.00
- 2) Merchandise Report – Lorie Tidwell – Showing off newly ordered items. 2 Types of shirts and the new hat. All merchandise will be at Mango Mania/ Last year derby shirts will be on sale for \$5.00

- 3) P.I.E Tourney- Update- Dj Ruscik, Kate Swanstrom & Deb Cundall – Deb is the newest co-chair for the derby. DJ Ruscik spoke about how many opportunities are still available and its time to get them filled and really start working on the planning of the event. Next meeting is vital for the volunteers to attend the next meeting to get involved with the planning and problem solving we will be having. Questions and Concerns can be addressed the next meeting which is July 26, 2018 at 6pm - Island Grill (next to the Winn Dixie) – Logo is being designed for the tourney (1st time having a logo). Its our 20th year were excited and wanting to do big things. Come out and help us make this year great.

Sonya Leonard & Diane Maher discussed how to solicit for the derby and why its important to obtain some vital information from the donor. The silent auction and Chinese auction will be worked together on soliciting procurement. The donation sheet must be filled out. Who gave it/ where is it from/ what is its value – must stay with the item and also be given to either Diane or Sonya. The difference between silent and Chinese auctions. Items over \$100 are in the silent auction/items under \$100 are for Chinese auction. We will bring baskets to the next meeting, so if you and a couple friends want to get together to make a basket you can pick one up! Designated drop off areas: Total Payroll in Cape Coral off Pondella, Theresa Kramers office, Century 21 on the Island, Madam DouZie's office in Cambio Dermatology & Traders Hitching's Post. Always invite the donors to come out to the event! Documents are online. Sandy Reynolds will hit up Captiva & Sanibel. It was questioned by Sandy Reynolds to get rid of the two different prices to sponsor a kid and have it be all one price. Motion was made by Sandy Reynolds to change the fee to sponsor a child to the same for all kids. Change the fee to \$35/ for each kid. All in favor. Motion passed.

Derby is Sunday, November 4, 2018

3: Community Support

A) Assistance:

1: Adopt-A-Road – Billie Young – update Genie gave a little background on “Adopt the road”. – Genie told a story about how it became to be that our volunteers had a police escort. – Next date: August 16, 2018 Where to meet: Olde Fish House back parking lot 8:30am

2: Mango Mania – Bonnie Gunnoe – Sign-up sheets are out for volunteering- still need some people for Sunday to sign up for shifts. We will be able to pick up your shirts for volunteering on Friday and the GPICC office between 10-5.

B) Donations:

1: Pine Island Food Pantry – Lorie Tidwell – Needs this month: Hamburger Helper, Canned Spaghetti Sauce, toothbrushes & toothpaste

2: School Supply Drive- Jean Dickason/Karen Mckee – Updates 22 places to drop off supplies for the drive. Monetary donations are welcome as they need to purchase their own paper and toner from the school budget. July 28th Saturday for collections. School starts August 10th.

OTHER:

Madam DouZie remembered that we did not vote on our budget for F.I.S.H. school clothes for school kids fundraiser. Madam realized that we have enough board members at this meeting to have an official vote for the budget for the donation. Impromptu: Vote and motion- motion made by Lorie Tidwell to have a budget of \$1,000. All in favor from Madam Julia, Helen Andrews, Ginny Neff, Lorie Tidwell, Bonnie Gunnoe, Ronda Czarneke, Karen Mckee. Floor Motion: Vikki Morrison. All in favor. Madam DouZie explained how the fundraiser works. Each child will receive 2 tops/2 bottoms/ package of underwear and a \$30 GC to Payless to purchase new shoes. Vikki Morrison explained the delight to be able to share the news with the children when they are going to be dropping off new clothes for school.

50/50 Raffle - \$153 total \$77 to the hooker winner- Sharon Webster \$77 to Monday music

Money Raised for Pantry-\$5.00

Motion to end the meeting: Lois Lemke

Next Board Meeting: Monday August 6, 2018 @ Little Lilly's deli 6pm

Next General Meeting: Monday August 13, 2018 Boun Appetito