

MATLACHA HOOKERS

AUGUST BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday - August 6, 2019 [rescheduled from 8/5/19]

Call to Order/ Madam Philosophy at Little Lilly's Deli 6:29 p.m.

Attendance: Helen Andrews, Julia Simpson, Ginny Neff, Jeanelle Havlin, Deb Cundall, Genie Andrews, Chris Buntin, Kate Swanstrom [via Facetime].

Absent: Billie Young, Karen McKee, Cindy Walton

BOARD REPORTS

Madam Helen Andrews

A) 50/50 - Cindy Walton proposed that we consider the Kiwanis Playground project in St James City as August 50/50 recipient. This was discussed and a more substantial donation to this project approved; see "New Business". Board approved August 50/50 recipient to be Rae Ann Hutchins. Rae Ann is a 30-year bartender veteran at P.I. Moose Lodge, who recently had a full shoulder replacement and will be out of work for a substantial time.

B) Financial Requests – See "Community Support" #G

Vice Madam Billie Young - not in attendance [vacation] - Membership Report - no update tonight.

Secretary Cindy Walton [in Cindy's 'vacation' absence, Chris Buntin presented the following:]

A) Review and Approval of July Board Minutes - Motion made by Julia Simpson to approve July Board Minutes; all in favor – motion passed.

B) On-line Vote

C) Read Mail – Helen to give mail to Cindy when she returns next week.

Treasurer – Ginny Neff

Review and approval of June & July financial reports: Ginny reported that she has completed June financial report, will e-mail to Board members & Helen will request an on-line vote to approve. Ginny expects to complete July report soon & same action will be taken.

Chaplain Genie Andrews: Chaplin & Outreach Reports

In July there were five hardship requests totaling \$1,014.37.

No card showers; there were two prayer requests [Katt & Tom Parton and Katyn Horney].

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

1: Fundraisers

A. Dedicated

1.Scholarships - Ginny Neff reported that she has received a \$2,000 check from Holly Aldridge to be used for a scholarship.

2.Merchandise Report - no report tonight. Helen will get details from Jeanne Whitaker prior to General Meeting.

3. P.I.E. Derby – next planning meeting to be Thursday, 8/29/19 6 PM @ Little Lilly's Deli. Tentative future meetings 9/12/19 & 9/26/19. Julia reported on the following:

a. Jeanelle Havlin reported that four of our 10'x10' pop-up tents are damaged. Jeanelle to do a count of all tents in trailer, their condition & number that need to be replaced and report at Sept. Board meeting. Jeanelle will also put a number on each tent for I.D. purposes.

b. Julia updated Board on P.I.E. overseer chart progress. Still need volunteers.

c. P.I.E. Principal Hook to attend M.H. General meeting 9/9/19 for a presentation of M.H. \$2,500 check to him [final funds from 2018 P.I.E. Derby]. Teachers to tell us how they used grants. Principal Hook/teachers will be given a P.I.E. Derby volunteer sign-up sheet to take back to school to enlist help from school staff. Sign-up sheet will be a random area sign up organized by time frame.

d. Ed Franks of *The Pine Island Eagle* will be asked to do a story on the upcoming event. We will place two ads in October.

4. Belk Charity Day in-store sales by Matlacha Hookers: July 27 [done & raised \$145], August 17, August 20 & August 24. August 24th is the official store sale day from 7 AM until closing. Cindy Walton requested that the topic of designating the funds raised from the Belk Charity coupons go to a specific charity. Board agreed that Belk coupon sales money will go to M.H. Scholarship Fund.

2. Community Support - Assistance:

A) Adopt-A-Road - next scheduled event is on Saturday, **9/14/19**.

B) School Supply Drive - Hookers sorted school supplies & presented them plus \$700 check to P.I. Elementary School on Monday, 8/6/19.

C) Blood Drive – was held on Saturday, 8/3/19 @ Island Visions & Great Licks. **Next blood drive November; date TBD.**

D) Pine Island Food Pantry needs: toiletries & [unless we get an update] repeat last month's request for Hamburger Helper, canned fruit, canned/packaged potatoes, tuna fish.

E) July 4th Parade - Julia reported on the event and reiterated that this event, plus FISH school clothing & other recognized events the M.H. want to support will be added to next year's budget proposal.

F) Mango Mania July 13/14, 2019. Hookers worked beverage and merchandise booths. Ginny Neff expects to give report of actual dollar amount made by M.H. at next Monday's General Meeting.

G) Kiwanis Park - Helen Andrews received a letter from Kiwanis Club soliciting our financial support of the Kiwanis Park [playground in St. James City]. Julia suggested that this be considered as a "Financial Request" and M.H. make a \$1,000 one-time donation [silver level]. Ginny made motion; all in favor – motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Lorie Tidwell reported that several Hooker volunteers expressed a desire to know well in advance General meeting locations - suggested we try the Omelet House for 6 to 9- month commitment. Board members agreed that future Minutes will show [clearly marked as tentative] General meeting locations through December.
2. Next scheduled Board Meeting changed to Tuesday, 9/3/19 - day after LABOR DAY.
3. Note: Julia Simpson changed the M.H. website Board password.
4. Genie Andrews brought up subject of "Go Fund Me" requests promoting other people's fundraising. Board discussed & decided that this will not fall under Outreach; individual "Go Fund Me" requests are to be presented to Board to review & determine if further action is taken.
5. Expecting appropriate behavior of members, as indicated in our Hooker Oath to make a positive difference in our community [and with each other], was discussed. Anything less than civil interactions can be disruptive to our harmonious meetings & conversations.
6. Credit card reader – Julia reported that M.H. have three credit card reader units and a relationship with Merchant Services to process. However, to utilize them requires an App to be downloaded on phone/ipad to be used with each reader and that each person must know how to use it to process a sale. Currently we turn on the Merchant Services app for specific events; discussion ensued on the feasibility of expanding use. Discussion to continue; no conclusion tonight.
7. For health reasons, M.H. Director Karen McKee submitted her letter of resignation from the M.H. Board. D.J. Ruscik offered to fill this position for the remainder of Karen's term. This will be added to General Meeting Agenda for membership to vote on approve.

OTHER:

Next **Board Meeting:**

Tuesday, 9/3/19 6 PM @ Little Lilly's Deli, 10700 Stringfellow Rd., Bokeelia

Next **General Meetings:**

Monday, 8/12/19 6:30 PM @ Cape Royal Golf Club CALOOSA CLUB 14600 Royal Tee Circle, Cape Coral. Future meeting TENTATIVE locations:

Monday, 9/9/19 6:30 PM @ House of Omelets, 900 SW Pine Island, Cape Coral

Monday, 10/14/19 6:30 PM @ House of Omelets, 900 SW Pine Island, Cape Coral

Monday, 11/11/19 6:30 PM @ House of Omelets, 900 SW Pine Island, Cape Coral

Monday, 12/9/19 6:30 PM @ American Legion, 4106 Stringfellow Rd, St James City

Ginny Neff made a motion to adjourn; motion passed. Meeting adjourned 8:18 p.m.