



**MATLACHA HOOKERS**  
**July Board Meeting Minutes**  
**DATE: July 1, 2024**  
**6:00 @ Salty Girls Island Cafe**  
**10700 Stringfellow Rd., Bokeelia, FI**

Call to Order by at: Linda Bohacek at 6:02 p.m.

Attendance: Deb Syring, Donna Trusik, Jeanelle Havlin, Tracy Chapple, Joyce Boyer, Darcy Conner, Lorie Tidwell, Linda Bohacek, Carolyn Ryzanych, Anna Van Kirk

Absent: N/A

**BOARD REPORTS**

1. 50/50: Back to School Supply Drive- approved during June membership meeting
2. Hooker Business:
  - a. Financial Requests:
  - b. New Board Member: Laura Pleake has volunteered to be secretary; we will continue to advertise in Herald
  - c. September Board Meeting; August 26, 2024
  - d. Bylaw review and amendments and past policies see attachments; review the policies/procedures and bylaws and make notes when there are any conflicting information; bring them to the next board meeting.
  - e. Review of Roberts Rules
  - f. St. James City Civic Association: Invitation for meeting providing food; August membership meeting
  - g. Trademark update: our trademark expired 6 months ago. Need to pay \$87.50. We will trademark in the State of Florida. Linda has started the process.
  - h. Trailer and Storage Shed -Donna and Linda – They do not provide non -profit discounts; we did receive a 10% senior citizen discount. A smaller unit will cost \$87.75 a month; Donna made a motion to sell the trailer and rent an additional storage unit, 2<sup>nd</sup> made, Motion carried.
  - i. Fidelity insurance – Linda- spoke with our insurance agent for a bonding policy; with this insurance we need to have 2 check signers; Lorie, Carolyn and Deb are the check writers and signers.
  - j. Pine Island The Best of 2024 - Booklet ad see attachment; we agreed not to pay for an ad this year; possibly every other year (if we win).
- j. Fundraising events with chairs:
  - 1) Scholarship Committee – Carolyn: Spots Ice Cream will do a Hooker Day and have the proceeds donated to Hooked on Education;

2) Fishing Derby- Darcy- Weekend of November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Will be at Capt'N Cons and Bokeelia Fishing Pier; Friday Captain's meeting; Saturday will be "on your honor" launch tournament then on Sunday will be awards and kids derby. Donna made a suggestion to have drone photos.

3) River District Alliance – Lorie- Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup> will be in the Hooker Herald special edition that one more volunteer is needed.

4) July 4th -Tracy Chapple - liability waiver see attached; our float will be a triton; waiver needs to be signed for those who want to be on the boat; decorating starts on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. @ Kustom Karts

5) Get Flocked - Darcy and Tracy- sign has been designed

6) German American Club- Christmas market- possibly we can do a fundraiser, sell raffle basket tickets; merchandise booth; Donna will bring us more information

#### k. Grants and grant writing

1. First Horizon Bank - Update: We did not receive the grant

2. Minnesota Twins grant - \$5,000 – Update- We did not receive this grant 3. The Community Foundation Network for good - grants for Event Sponsorships 4. Cape Royal Community Grant -Donna Oct 1st deadline. Recommend that the scholarship committee complete this.

Linda would offer to assist with the grant writing.

#### l. Fundraising Ideas- Brainstorm

a. Pine Island Art Fest- Chamber of Commerce partnering- PI Chamber of Commerce agreed to assist with the advertising; the chamber suggested doing it on the third weekend in January.

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#### Vice Madam Carolyn Ryzanych, Membership

a) Membership Report: 198 members; 52 new

b) Membership meeting checking in: Lorie and Donna

c) July membership meeting: American Legion kitchen closed, members encouraged to eat before or bring their own food.

#### Secretary, Carolyn Ryzanych (interim)

a) Review and approval of general minutes: email vote

b) Mail- email vote on permission to fundraise for the Hookers - Peace Day September 21st approved.

c) Volunteer to take minutes at the July General membership meeting- Tracy, Carolyn and Donna will take minutes

d) Carolyn made a motion to increase the FISH back to school budget by \$200., 2<sup>nd</sup> made, motion carried. Currently we budget \$2,000 for 10 kids and now it will be \$2,200 as school clothes have increased in price.

#### Treasurer, Deb Syring

a) Review and approval of financial reports; Lorie made motion to approve May financials; 2<sup>nd</sup> made, motion carried. Tracy made a motion to approve June financials, 2<sup>nd</sup> made; motion carried.

b) Merchandise report: \$118 in May; \$0 June

Chaplain, Anna Van Kirk

a) Chaplin Report: No requests

b) Greater Pine Island Alliance: they have an organization to help those insurance claims if anyone needs assistance with post Hurricane issues, they are to reach out to the Alliance

## EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

### 1. Community Support

a) Pine Island Food Pantry needs continue to be posted in the Hooker Herald b) Mango Mania volunteers- Linda B.; merchandise has plenty of volunteers; parking volunteers are still needed

d) P.I.E. School wish list/teacher grant info- Linda B.: principal has been out of the office but returned today;

e) Social Media Planning Meeting- scheduled for July 17, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. at Salty Girls Island Cafe

f) Peace Day on Pine Island, Sept. 21st-Jennifer Bennett The Matlacha Hookers are the benefactors of this event and monies will go toward student scholarships g) Pine Island United Methodist Church Block Party August 3rd.; bring to membership Requesting the Matlacha Hookers to sponsor a booth with a game.

h) VFW event July 20th Celebration-Tracy Need to make a decision on what we will do to help. Possible ideas were a card shower and or provide a side dish.

i) School Supply Drive; bins have been distributed except for a few locations

k) Stuff a SUV- DJ and Deb- add to membership meeting agenda

### 2. Other:

Next Board Meeting: August 5, 2024 6:00 p.m. Location: Salty Girl Island Cafe

Next General Meeting: July 8 2024 at 6:30 pm American Legion

Jeanelle made motion to adjourn; 2<sup>nd</sup> made, motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.