



BOARD MEETING MINUTES November 2, 2020.

Call to Order by Madam Deja Vu Deux at Little Lilly's Deli 6 p.m

Attendance: Jill Filgut, Natalie Gazda, Billie Young, Cindy Walton (remote)

DJ Ruscik, Genie Andrews, Kate Swanstrom (remote), Theresa Kramer, Joanne Correia

ABSENT: Chris Buntin and Beth Nelson

BOARD REPORTS

Madam Deja Vu Deux, DJ Ruscik

- a) 50/50: 2 suggestions for decision at general meeting: F.I.S.H Basket Brigade and PI Food Pantry
- b) Fundraising: recent suggestions of organizing a reverse raffle and organizing a Krispy Kreme fundraiser, both will be kept on the table for future consideration
- c) Financial requests: donation request from the Wounded Warrior Project (received in the mail) No approval at this time, consideration for future
- d) Hooker business: status of online store. After checking with our attorney he feels it would not jeopardize our 501(c)3 status. Our accountant feels it may have tax consequences and that it could force our organization into a "for profit" category. Members discussed and will continue to evaluate possibilities. Merchandise can be posted to the site at this time for members only with items offered for a donation.
- e) November 19th elections. Voting membership payments were extended to October 31st. Nominations are in and committee members will contact all nominees this week. Ballots will be distributed upon entry to the November 19th meeting which will begin at 6 for introduction of candidates. Ballots will be counted at the meeting with results announced by the end of the meeting. The new board will be invited as guests to the December board meeting and will assume duties at the January board meeting with the 2020 board attending the January board meeting to address old business only. Discussion of a by-law change allowing seasonal members to serve on the board will continue throughout the season.
- f) Web meeting software has been investigated by Joanne Correia. She recommended purchasing a plan which also offers a 1-800 dial in as well as the ability to record the meetings. Costs are approx. \$15-\$20/month and the program will be used for all board, general and committee meetings. This will be introduced to the general membership for discussion. We have been using Joanne's personal account and she will submit an expense report for reimbursement.

[Vice Madam Billie Young, Membership](#)

- a) Membership report: 2020-176 members 2021-82 members
- b) December general meeting will be held at the Legion on the 14th with pizzas ordered and safely served.

[Secretary, Cindy Walton](#)

- a) Review and approval of October board minutes, motion by Joanne Correia to approve, all in favour.
- b) 2 Online Votes: approval of August financial reports and vote approving Karen Durand as our new webmistress was finalized tonight with approval by Kate Swanstrom. Madam DJ will contact Karen and Julia for them to begin transition.
- c) Read Mail: \$2,000.00 cheque received from Holly and Rod Aldrich as sponsors of a 2021 scholarship (deposited to our Scholarship account), Wounded Warrior Project donation request.

[Treasurer, Theresa Kramer](#)

- a) Review and approval of September financial reports, motion by Natalie Gazda to approve, all in favour with Cindy Walton abstaining as she had not seen the reports.

[Chaplain, Genie Andrews](#)

- a) Chaplain report: 1 card shower for Dee Hanks
 - b) Outreach report: 1 request for rent approved for \$200.00
- Vintage merchandise donations are requested for resale or repurpose into pillows. Donations can be brought to upcoming general meetings or through contact with Genie Andrews or Billie Young.
- MISS MATTY HAS CLEANED UP HER ACT AND IS HEADING HOME FOR THANKSGIVING !



EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

1: Fundraisers

- a) Merchandise Report: \$260.in donations was received in October. Delivery of ordered wine cups is pending (2/3 of this order is for the upcoming wine event) A merchandise table will be at the blood drive on November 7th in Matlacha. DJ suggested participation in the Tuesday Sandoval Farmer's Market.
- b) Wine Event: Tickets have been printed and are available. Event will be both inside and outside allowing for weather and social distancing.
- c) PIE Project: Co-chairs are DJ Ruscik and Beth Nelson. A drive-thru pancake breakfast is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, January 9th, 8-11:30 @ Moose. Ginny Neff will be in charge of the kitchen, ticket purchase may include a drawing. Proceeds will be donated to PIE for the creation of raised garden beds and/or replacing old picnic tables. A sale of decorated bricks is also being considered.
- d) Bag'n Tag: tentatively scheduled for March 20th @ Moose, another sort date will be necessary soon
- e) ArtFest: scheduled for the first weekend in February, this year's sales will be credit cards only.
- f) Christmas Caroling: Hookers will be caroling at the Tarpon Lodge's Holiday House on Saturday, December 5th for 15 minute sessions at 6 and 7pm. Sign ups will be at the November 19th meeting. Our traditional Christmas caroling plan is still under consideration.
- g) OLMM Christmas Bazaar: We will have 2 tables Saturday, November 14th 9-12, volunteers are in place to work, proceeds will benefit our scholarship program. \$72.00 in donations has already been received. Cost is \$40. (\$20/each) and will be paid in cash or by donations of like valued items.

2: Community Support

- a) Adopt-A-Road:December 5th, 8:45 behind Olde Fish House. Those who want breakfast will meet at Perfect Cup @ 7:45.
- b) Blood Drive: November 7th @ Barnhill/Blue Dog 10-3pm, reservations are recommended.
- c) Pine Island Food Pantry needs:

- Canned green beans
- Canned corn
- Chicken Broth
- Cream soup
- Cranberry sauce
- Gravy – can, pouch or bottle
 - Stuffing
- Mashed Potatoes – pouch or box
 - Canned Yams
 - Olives/Pickles
- Box muffin or bread mix
- Box dessert mix

Personal Care products, such as toilet paper, bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste, razors and laundry detergent, are also welcome as these items are always in high demand.

The food pantry has extended access to 2 visits per month in November and December.

OTHER:

Next Board Meeting: Monday, December 7, 2020 6 p.m @ Little Lilly's

Next General Meeting: Thursday, November 19, 2020 6:30 p.m. @ the Moose, sauerbraten will be served.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 on a motion by Joanne Correia, all in favour.