



MATLACHA HOOKERS

2025 April Board Meeting Minutes

DATE: May 5, 2025

6:00 @ Salty Girls Island Cafe

10700 Stringfellow Rd., Bokeelia, FI

Call to Order by Linda Bohacak @ 6:00pm

Attendance: Rachel Branch, Linda Bohacek, Anna Van Kirk, Donna Trusick, Tracy Chapple Jeanelle Havlin, Deb Syring, Kelly LaMagna -portion of the meeting

Absent: Carolyn Ryzanych, Lorie Tidwell, Cheryl Neary

Special guest Michael Hammond providing information about the Calusa Blueway Kayak Fishing Tournament event. University of FL used to run the tournament Brian and Diana from Gulf Coast kayak ran for the last 11 years. Information was presented to the board to potentially take on this event as ours.

BOARD REPORTS

1. 50/50: Pine Island Elementary Fishing Derby
2. Hooker Business:
 - a) Financial Requests- none
 - b) Hooked on Education Scholarship- Tracy; 11 scholarships awarded and

individuals will attend the June 9th meeting.

c) Fundraising events with chairs:

1) PI Elementary Fishing Derby the weekend of May 16, 17 & 18

@Jug Creek Marina; May 13th 6pm @ Kickstands volunteer informational meeting. Registration forms for children and sponsors have been released.

d) Member mixers supporting businesses

1)Salty Girls May 21st @ 8:45am

e) Social Media Planning Meeting at Salty Girls on May 21st @ 6pm; website merging in the works with outside company; June 18th social media planning meeting will be a brainstorming session for new and profitable events.

f) Storage shed update -Donna; different off island locations running the same price for a 10x30 storage unit. Deb makes a motion to leave 24/7 storage and move our storage belongings to Cubesmart on Pine Island Road. Motion carried.

g) Adding a philanthropic line item when it comes to financials; more discussion to follow.

h) Trademark certificate update- Linda; all approved and all information has been updated on the website.

i) Possible future events include Sept 13th or 20th for Roper Romp/ Pine Island Santa Con November 29th

3) Past Events and Fundraisers

a) Merchandise booth -Linda

1) Calusa Land Trust Earth Day-Linda; approx \$800.00

2) Island Market- Linda; approx \$625.00

3) Traders Hitching Post / Island Fair selling merchandise

b) Frank Ackley Fundraiser May 3rd with basket-Donna

Vice Madam Carolyn Ryzanych, Membership

- a) Membership Report: members 159 ; April new 7
- b) Membership meeting checking in: Ellen & Deb

Secretary, Rachel Branch

- a) Review and approval of April general minutes; Donna made motion through email on 4/25
- b) mail : Pine Island Elementary Springfest, Kiwanis 5 K, and Beacon of Hope thank yous
- c) email vote: none

Treasurer, Deb Syring

- a) Review and approval of April financial reports; Motion made by Tracey to approve April financial report. Motion carried
- b) Merchandise report for April: \$2419.00
- c) Cyber Grant update last \$500 donated - need to decide where to allocate; to be allocated to Hooked on Scholarships
- d) Donations: \$4,000 from Holly Aldrich and Fisher of Mens Lutheran church- need to decide where to allocate; to be allocated to the Scholarships

Chaplain, Anna Van Kirk

- a) Chaplin Report
- b) Greater Pine Island Alliance
- c) Outreach requests- none
- d) Beacon of Hope Updates- card shower
- e) Pine Island Cares - April 14th meeting update; spoke about Christmas events for children and community/ Next meeting May 7th @ 10:30am- Linda

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

1. Community Support

- a) Pine Island Food Pantry needs to continue to be posted in the Hooker Herald
- b) Blood Drive May 10th 10am to 3pm @ Winn Dixie
- c) Stamp Out Hunger May 10th volunteer update- Donna; volunteers all set

Other:

Next Board Meeting: June 2, 2025 6:00 p.m. Location: Salty Girl Island Cafe
Next General Meeting: Monday May 12, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. @ American
Legion Post 136; 4106 Stringfellow Rd St James City FL 33956

Adjournment: Deb motioned to adjourn meeting; Motion carried 7:59pm