



**MATLACHA HOOKERS**  
**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**October 15, 2020.**

Call to Order by Madam Deja Vu Deux at Moose Lodge @ 6:38pm  
Pledge of Allegiance led by Madam Deja Vu Deux  
Invocation by Grateful Genie, Chaplain

**BOARD REPORTS**

Madam Deja Vu Deux, DJ Ruscik

- a) 50/50 will support the Moose Trick-or-Treat drive thru October 30th 5-7pm, motion to approve by Natalie Gazda, all in favour
- b) Hooker Business: Annual insurance premium has been paid 100% from the general fund. Board members discussed other fundraisers contributing to the payment (usually the PIE account contributes some). This could be accomplished by increasing the amount (currently 15%) that each fundraiser contributes to the general account. Members discussed and agreed to make no changes for the moment. Clarification was made to scholarship funding that all Hooker fundraisers for scholarships ( ArtFest etc.) will contribute the 15%, however sponsorships from individuals or businesses to fund (eg. Bobby Holloway, Kathy Foley, Holly Aldrich etc.) will not contribute the 15%.
- c) By-law change of quorum requirements was discussed. The merits of 20 members versus a percentage of membership was analysed and members agreed that using a percentage would place us in the same situation during months of low attendance. Tara Efrid motioned to change the quorum number to 20, all in favour. This change was introduced at the September general meeting.
- d) Discussion continued on the requirement for board members to be full time residents. Further discussion will come in winter months of greater attendance from part time residents.
- e) Fundraising: suggestion of a "reverse raffle" where tickets are sold for an event where multiple prizes are offered including a major grand prize. The event could be a dinner with drawings made throughout the evening. Krispy Kreme Doughnut Fundraiser involves selling online certificates for a dozen doughnuts which would be emailed to the purchaser.
- f) Financial Requests: request by the Elks to sponsor their annual golf tourney on November 7th which benefits youth sports on greater Pine Island. Hole sponsorship is \$100, raffle item is also an option. Motion by Lorie Tidwell to sponsor a \$100. Hole, all in favour.  
Request by GPI Chamber of Commerce for their adopt-a-fish fundraiser is sold out. These decorated fish will be auctioned at Olde Fish House on November 7th, 4pm to support first responders on the island.

g) Election: to vote members must pay their 2021 dues by October 15th. Election will be held during the November meeting. Nomination forms are available tonight and on our website for all executive board members as well as the 3 directors leaving the board: Joanne Correia, Chris Buntin, and Kate Swanstrom. Each director is asked to chair/co-chair an event and to attend 12 board and 12 general meetings each year. Executive board is elected for a one year term and each of 6 directors is elected for 2 year terms with 3 new members joining each year. All 11 board members now have their own email addresses which are posted to our website. DJ reviewed job descriptions which can be found on our website.

h) Donation sorting will be October 17th, 9-2 @ 7830 Lobean Lane

i) New webmistress is needed, many thanks to Julia Simpson for all her hard work over the past many years.

#### Vice Madam Billie Young, Membership

a) Membership Report: 176 members at present, 62 members have joined/renewed for 2021.

b) Meeting Attendance: 35 (including 5 present online)

c) We welcome 4 new members sworn in: Jennifer, Gwen, Ruth, and Ellen. To benefit new members all members were reminded to find meeting documents and financial information on our website [www.MatlachaHookers.org](http://www.MatlachaHookers.org) under the membership tab "Current Business"

d) Call Girls Thank You and next month's volunteers: Joyce Bieber and Linda Bohacek.

e) October Birthday celebration !

#### Secretary, Cindy Walton

a) Review and approval of September general minutes, motion to approve by Joanne Correia, all in favour.

b) No online votes in September

c) Mail: Thank you from PIE art/music teacher Gloria Van Duzer for \$1,600 donation which will go towards art supplies (this year each student must have their own as there is no sharing), thank you from Outreach recipient for assistance with his water bill, thank you from Jeanne Glenn for the card shower for her husband, thank you from VFW post for our donation towards their "Angel's Help" cancer benefit, thank you from Principal Tom at PIE for donations from our school supply drive

#### Treasurer, Theresa Kramer

a) Review and approval of August financial reports, board approved via online vote in October. Motion to approve by Joanne Correia, all in favour. Balances as of August 31st:

Wine account \$2,674.87

General account \$208.32

Scholarship account \$1,494.63

PIE account \$6,410.57

Scholarship recipient Isabella has dropped out and the school has forwarded a refund of \$207.00 which has been deposited.

## Chaplain, Grateful Genie Andrews

- a. Chaplin Report: No card showers or prayer requests in September
- b. Outreach Report: 1 request was made on September 30th which will be paid in October. An article detailing the Hookers' activities and contributions to the island written by Genie Andrews was recently published in the PI Real Estate Journal. Genie shared her "clean" joke "Sweeping Together".

## EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

### 1. Fundraisers

- a) Merchandise Report: Jill Filgut showed the new men's t-shirts and hats available for sale.
- b) Wine Event: Committee meeting will be October 17th @ Froggy's (left outdoor porch). 200 wine bottles are needed for our "mystery wine" (please bring to meetings) also needed are small clam-like shells for centerpieces. Volunteers needed also for serving, food prep, etc.
- c) PIE Project 2020: Drive thru pancake breakfast is being considered at the Moose with tickets which could be sold in advance. The project will benefit PIE with suggestions of new picnic tables, a raised garden and possibly a coordinated effort with the local boy scout troop. Next meeting TBA.
- e) Bag'n Tag: Tentatively scheduled for March 20th
- g) Christmas Caroling is still under consideration with everyone's safety a concern.
- h) Matlacha Hookers will participate in OLMM Holiday Bazaar on November 14th, tables are \$20, sale of Christmas items and more resulting from the donation sort on October 17th. 3-4 volunteers are needed for the day of the sale.
- i) Vintage Hooker Merchandise will be sold/auctioned. Vintage shirts were modelled by our own Beautiful Billie and Glamorous Genie who collaborated to create pillows from vintage shirts which are also for sale. Donations of your vintage Hooker shirts are requested.

### 2. Community Support

- a) Adopt-A-Road will be December 5th time to meet behind OFH TBA. In September, 8 Hookers plus one Hooker husband attended along with "trashy" Miss Matty and her spider accomplice created by Chris Buntin.
- b) Blood Drive will be November 7th, 10-3pm sponsored by Blue Dog and Barnhill. The Big Red bus will be in the Barnhill parking lot. Only 4 people are allowed on the bus at a time so reservations in advance are strongly recommended.
- c) Pine Island Food Pantry is now collecting donations of seasonal meal fixings to provide our clients with Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. Most needed items include:

- 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.

d) Beacon of Hope Holiday House will be held December 4, 5 and 6 on the grounds outside. The Matlacha Hookers have been asked to carol at the event. Schedule may be Saturday at 6pm and 7pm each for 15 minutes. More details to come.

**OTHER:**

50/50 collected \$110.00 Tonight's winner of \$55.00 is Tracy Andrews

Tonight's donation to Food Pantry \$55.00

Next Board Meeting: Monday, November 2nd @ Little Lilly's

Next General Meeting: Thursday, November 19th @ Moose

Meeting adjourned @ 8:21 pm