

# JULY 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

## MATLACHA HOOKERS

June 26, 2017

### Call to Order

Vice Madam Helen called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Members present: Helen Andrews, D.J. Ruscik, Lorie Tidwell, Lois Lemke, Bonnie Gunnoe, Jeanene Whittaker, Ginny Neff, Toni Trivelli, Billie Young and Julia Simpson. Members absent: Beth Nelson.

Prior to the presentation of the Board Reports, D.J. Ruscik requested volunteers to assist in registering children for the bicycle portion of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. Lorie Tidwell and Jeanene Whittaker volunteered to assist D.J. with this registration and the presentation of awards at the Elks lodge after the parade.

### BOARD REPORTS

Madam Julia provided her report.

- a) 50/50 – Suggestions. David Root Memorial.
- b) Fundraising committee. The minutes from the Fund Raising Ad Hoc Committee Meeting were provided to the members present.
- c) Mail. Three thank-you cards were received from scholarship recipients and distributed to the members present.
- d) Financial Requests. A financial request was received from Warren Van Kirk with the bank “Strange Arrangement” who will be performing at the July 14<sup>th</sup> “Sounds of Summer” Concert in Fort Myers. Warren and his bandmates have been very helpful to the Hookers at a number of events – most recently the Bag n Tag where they assisted in tear-down and helping with the heavy lifting of tables and supplies. If the financial request is approved, the Matlacha Hooker’s logo will appear on the Band’s T-shirts. Lorie Tidwell made a motion to donate \$200 to the band for a sponsorship. Motion passed.
- e) “Fun” Raising Event – 4<sup>th</sup> of July Float. Madam Julia is working feverishly to complete the preparations for the float entry. Volunteers are still needed to help complete the float in time for the parade. Anyone who would like to participate should meet at the Winn Dixie at 9:30.

### Vice Madam – Helen Andrews

- a) Membership. In June there were two new members and two renewals. Information on a member who renewed but did not provide contact information was located by Sonya Leonard. Membership is estimated in excess of 230. Final numbers will be provided at the July general meeting.

### Secretary – Jeanene Whittaker

- a) Review and Approval of June 2017 Minutes. The minutes from the June Board of Directors meeting were distributed and no additional changes were requested. D.J. Ruscik made a motion to accept the minutes from the June Board meeting. Motion passed.

### Treasurer – Ginny Neff

- a) Review and approval of June 2017 Financial Reports. Since it is not yet the end of the month, Ginny recommended she sent out the final reports at the end of the week and the Board can then approve via email vote for acceptance and approval. The new bank accounts for the Scholarship Fund and

the Wine and Cheese event were opened. The bank has waived all fees with the exception of the printing costs for the checks.

## Chaplain – Billie Young

- A) Outreach. In June there were no card showers and one hardship request was received. All-occasion note cards are available at the following business locations: Greater Pine Island Chamber of Commerce, Bert's Pine Bay Gifts, Matlacha Post Office, Trader's Post, P.I.E. School and Island Girl Fitness. The last Adopt-A-Road event was held June 22. Dora Rogers, Lou Rokosz, Genie Andrews and Billie Young participated. The next event will be August 17 beginning at the Olde Fish House at 8:30 a.m.
- B) Chaplain Billie notified the Board she will not be the Chaplain next year and asked everyone to begin inquiries for a replacement to run in the Fall. D.J. Ruscik thanked Billie for her service and noted her extraordinary ability to maintain all her duties given her absence while she was out of the country. Billie expressed gratitude to Barb Jameson and Cindee Tolliver for filling in for her at the General Meetings.

## Events & Activities

### 1: Fundraisers

#### A. Dedicated

- 1) Beacon of Hope – Wine Event. No update at this time.
- 2) Scholarships – Lois Lemke. No update at this time.
- 3) Note Cards – See Chaplains Report.
- 4) Bag N Tag. No report.
- 5) Merchandise. New shirts and merchandise recently received has raised \$220.
- 6) PIE Derby – Co Chairs D.J. Ruscik, Toni Trivelli provided the report. The shirts still need to be ordered. Toni indicated a chair is needed to oversee the fish fry. Details on all needs will be provided to the Secretary who will send out a Hooker Herald.
- 7) Mango Mania. Bonnie Gunnoe is still in need for volunteers for the event which is on July 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> at the German American Club. Volunteers to work on Sunday are needed – there are no current volunteers registered and we must have coverage for the merchandise on that day. Jennifer from the Chamber of Commerce will be invited to speak at the next General Meeting.

### 2: Community Support

#### A. Assistance:

- 1. Adopt-A-Road. Next event will be August 17 at 8:30.
- 2. Blood Drive – DJ Ruscik and Ginny Neff reported the next Blood drive will be August 12 at the Old Fish House which will host a “Pint and a Paddle”.

### 3: Donations:

- A. Pine Island Food Pantry. The Food Pantry has requested corn, peas and small packages of potatoes.

## OTHER

There being no further business, Jeanene Whittaker made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Next Board Meeting Monday August 7, 2017

Next General Meeting Monday July 10, 2017