

Newcomers of Catawba Valley Board Meeting
October 26, 2016

The board meeting was called to order by Carol Hoover at 10:00 a.m. at the Patrick Beaver Library. In attendance were Carol Hoover, Dianne Straley, Vince LeGrand, Bob Jones, Adra Kryszczuk, John Bates, Shari Kidd, Michele LeGrand and Brian Hoover. The minutes of the September board meeting were amended to note that edits were made to rate cards, not rack cards and to correct the misspelling of John Bates' name in the paragraph regarding Member list rules and approved as amended after a motion by Dianne Straley seconded by Vince LeGrand.

Carol noted that the minutes need to be available to all members, so Brian will be working on the website to set up a tab for them. He will work with Pam Moody and Barb Beck to see how much they can provide in the way of past minutes in digital form to upload and then scan other past minutes so that a more or less complete record is available.

Carol reported that we have had an offer from a new member, Francine Gissy, to assume the position of Secretary. Following discussion, it was agreed that for now, we would leave Susan Reese as Newsletter person, Adra as taking board minutes but have Francine start taking minutes at the November General Meeting with Dianne as back-up.

Vince gave the treasurer's report and told us that the starting balance as of October 1 was \$3,439.17. Income from dues and the 50/50 raffle was \$138.75. Expenses were \$17.41 which left an ending balance of \$3,560.51.

John Bates reported that efforts between him and Kathy Rozea had not been fruitful. Kathy had not been able to find anything, neither had anyone at VistaPrint, so John is going to work locally to have new business cards, thank you cards and rate cards printed. Vince LeGrand made a motion that a \$200.00 expense cap be placed on the project which was seconded by Bob Jones. The motion passed without dissent.

Bob Jones reported that Chicken Foot Dominoes has truly outgrown Shari Kidd's home and presented a proposal that the game be moved to the Hickory Airport. There was much discussion regarding how that could be handled from flat out paying the \$75 to running it like a Game Night. Bob is going to poll the regular attendees at the November game to get a sense of what their feelings would be. Shari will continue to host at her home until there is a resolution. We will change the name of the game to "Dominoes."

Carol noted that the club will be assuming the following fees for the Holiday Party; \$830 Murder Mystery Entertainment + \$280 Crown Plaza Deposit and Bartender fees. The party will be in a self-contained room in a separate wing of the hotel and there will be a cash bar. The cost of the meal is \$19.95++ for a total cost of \$25.33 per person. Carol presented three options for member charges; \$25 (club assumes \$.33), \$20 (club assumes \$5.33) or \$15 (club assumes \$10.33). There was much discussion about these costs and how many might attend this function. It was agreed to set a cap at 85 attendees and an incentive for payment! Carol made a motion that the cost per member be \$20 if paid in full by November 17th then \$25 per member until December 2nd (received by December 9th) which was seconded by Joe Paussa and passed without dissent. Shari Kidd made a motion to cover the cost of \$75.99 for meals for three actors which was seconded by John Bates and passed without dissent. Payments for the Holiday Party will be talked up and encouraged during the month of November and early December at all events and flyers will be provided for same.

Carol has been reaching out to all parties at the Airport to try to get more tables to replace or to repair the tables that have broken. There are 40 attendees at the coming daytime Canasta. Adra Kryszczuk made a motion to purchase tablecloths to fit any tables that are replaced which was seconded by Joe Paussa. The motion passed with one dissenting voice.

Shari Kidd has information on a local hiking group that she will share with Carol.

Carol reviewed the items for the December agenda and tabled the suggested additions to the membership information on the web to the December meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Adra Kryszczuk