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Newcomers of Catawba Valley Board Meeting
July 25, 2018
Patrick Beaver Library, Hickory, NC 28601

Attendees

Carol Hoover, Dale Pflugst, Adra Kryszczuk, Joe Paussa, Dianne Straley, Mary Bucy, Vince LeGrand, Shark Kidd, Brenda Ireland. Guests, Michele LeGrand, Lori and Greg Gervasio.

Welcome: Carol Hoover, President

Carol Hoover called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

Meeting Minutes: Brenda Ireland

Motion to approve Board Minutes for June 27, 2018 made by Dianne Straley and seconded by Joe Paussa.

Newsletter Update: Brenda Ireland

Info to the August Newsletter has been requested and will be needed a few days earlier for getting newsletter done by July 30.

Treasurer Report: Vince LeGrand

Beginning for July 1, 2018	\$ 4,081.53
Total Income	83.00
Total Expenses	252.50
Balance as of July 25, 2018	3,912.03

Vince reported we had two new members and stated that he will not be able to attend the Summer Soiree and gave the checkbook to Brenda Ireland to pay for the DJ and Location costs.

Charities Report: Joe Paussa

Joe visited the Quarterly Charity, Robins Nest, and states that the place was well organized and modern, with a relaxed atmosphere and a great staff.

Sponsors Report: Dale Pflugst

Dale reported the Viewmont Pharmacy and Granite Falls Brewery are due August and the Catawba Science Center is delinquent. There was also a consideration for a "Sponsor Appreciation" and a Sponsor drive, NCV would need to plan additional expenditures for having more sponsors.

Website Report: Carol Hoover

Updates have been made to Newcomer website to protect privacy of member's info and email addresses. Discussions about Programs and "plug-ins" to help make directory more user friendly and have info regarding "Interests" of members. Motion for this by Greg Gervasio and seconded by Brenda Ireland. Adra will be working on getting an email address from every member. Carol to solicit all members to obtain a "back up" IT person. Adra suggested that a memo goes into the Newsletter about emails to "update" the Newcomer Directory. Greg will input info as obtained. Carol requested that we ask member for their photos from Newcomer outings and events and that we get the photos onto the website.

Program Report: Dianne Straley

Dianne states that Aug 8th Program for the General Meeting will have speaker, John Pope, from the NC State Board of Transportation speaking about the 321 Project. For September we will have Paul Thompson, Founder of Transportation Insight. In October we will travel to Asheville to the Governor's Western Residence and our speaker will be Kevin Duffus and he will speak about Blackbeard the Pirate.

Special Events: Shari Kidd

Special Events committee was to meet on Monday, July 30 to discuss events planned thru the end of the year.

Update on Holiday Party: Carol Hoover

Holiday party is set for Dec 7th and will be held at Market on Main. NCV Member, Chad Burel, is co-sponsoring and picking up most of the cost. There needs to be an accounting of what Chad is spending. Carol also wanted to look into the cost of getting some "Volunteer Appreciation" items using the Newcomers Logo. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the Holiday Party spending and the Volunteer Appreciation gifts. There needs to be a determination regarding A threshold for Sponsor involvement monies in events and the cost offsetting. Carol also wants to purchase a Newcomer logo tablecloth for use at our events.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is our General Meeting on Aug 8th at 10:30, at the Hickory Regional Airport and our speaker will be John Pope from the NC Board of Transportation to discuss the 321 Project.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:33am.

Respectfully submitted by:
Brenda Ireland, Secretary