Minutes Newcomers of Catawba Valley Board Meeting May 22, 2019, Patrick Beaver Memorial Library

Present: Delilah Bragg, Suzie Matthews, Dale Pfingst, Adra Kryszczuk, Shari Kidd, Dianne Straley, Amy Chizen. Absent: Sandi Shear.

President Delilah Bragg called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. The April board minutes were approved in a motion by Dale, seconded by Amy.

Dale's monthly treasurer's report noted three membership renewals. The expenses for the spring picnic were \$60 below the budgeted amount. Dale reminded board members to turn in receipts promptly for reimbursement.

The club began the month with a balance of \$3,981.81 and ended with a balance of \$3,801.58. Most of the expenses for the month were for the picnic and office supplies. Dale has made the annual filing with the IRS. Current membership is 228.

In members' reports:

- 1) Bowling is over for the season: Dale
- 2) A check from a member for \$35 was passed on directly to the Catawba County Humane Society after the May meeting. The organization's biggest need is food: Suzie
- 3) The chamber of commerce/visitors center has received more rack cards, as they requested: Amy
- 4) Speakers planned for the June general meeting have canceled and a hunt is one for a replacement. Thanks to Adra for making a third table covering for the mah jongg group that plays at Pinecrest. Team Cuisine is growing, from its initial one host to four hosts at the June event: Dianne
- 5) Additional names have been added to the website's membership list. Greg Gervasio may come to the June 12 general meeting to lead a workshop on how to use the club's recently revised website. He has suggested adding a website feature that would allow discussion between members. It would only be visible to members: Adra

Board member Dianne Straley asked the board to reconsider a policy that says the club does not supply paper products to events held in members homes. Rummikub usually meets in members homes, but occasionally is held at the Wynneshire Ridge clubhouse, where three or four tables will play. Board members agreed the club will supply paper products at Wynneshire. Adra will work with Francine to gather a package of supplies.

Adra and other board members praised Greg Gervasio for his hard work on the website. Other important club volunteers were also recognized: former treasurer Vince LeGrand for years of keeping the books, Gloria Berg in bridge, Mary Bucy in the book club and Lori Gervasio in games.

President Delilah lead a discussion on meet ups and special events, and encouraged more members to organize events. Adra was concerned about a conflict between a regularly scheduled monthly event that was on the calendar and a shopping field trip that a member organized. It is important to avoid conflicts, she said.

Upcoming events:

June 14: Asheville art walk June 28: Boone field trip July 15: Pontoon party July 27: LeGrand pool party Aug. 1: Treetops zip line outing

In action item:

- a) Dale will check on the club getting a debit card
- b) Delilah will check with the airport on the capacity of the meeting room.

The next board meeting will be June 26 at Delilah's home. Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

- Dianne Straley, acting secretary.