

Newcomers of Catawba Valley
Board Meeting Minutes
July 24, 2019, Patrick Beaver Memorial Library

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

Vice President Sandi Shear called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. The June board minutes were approved in a motion by Amy Chizen, seconded by Dianne Straley. Dale Pfingst asked for an amendment to the May Board Minutes to reflect the count of the membership to 268 which was also approved.

Dale's treasurer's report stated that club began the month with a balance of \$3,759.58 and ended with a balance of \$3,084.60. Most of the expenses for the month were for the Holiday party and pontoon party.

Officer/Director reports:

Dale: Bowling is over for the season, but several folks still get together to bowl. The season will resume in October.

Amy: Rack cards are all in place. There are 29 names on the Book Club mailing list. Mary Bucy has no issues to report. They will meet today. A suggestion was raised that the entire membership should periodically be invited to the Book Club meetings just to make sure everyone is aware. Amy will pass on the suggestion.

Suzie: Looking for ways to bring the charity to the front of member's attention. All agreed that she is doing a good job of promoting. The games teams are adding the charities to their emails. Brenda and Scott are stranded in Wisconsin, but the newsletter will still go out.

Dianne: The August program will be held in the Newton Courthouse with our speaker being Tammy Wilson, a genealogist who will speak about the Orphan Train. Dianne made a motion to donate \$50.00 to the Catawba County Museum of History. The motion was seconded by Adra and passed by unanimous decision. The September program will be back at the airport with a representative from the sheriff's office who will speak about scams. The September Table Talk subject is scheduled to be Streaming Video. In October Mayor Hank Guess will be our speaker and his subject will be the City Walk. The Table Talk for October is planned to be Cutting the Cable. Team Cuisine has 38 diners signed up for Italian with a Twist in August and five host homes; none being the "usual" suspects.

Adra: The meeting after the June general meeting went well. Greg and I were able to help several members get online and access the directory. There are still one or two members whose information is not input correctly (Adra's fault) but working with Greg to fix it. All of the Games Nights are working well. There are no issues with bridge. Rummikub will continue to be held at the Wynnshire Ridge clubhouse through the summer; Josette Kippenhan will host in August.

Shari: In Shari's absence, Adra reported that Dominoes and Samba are both going well, as is Games Day. Lori is planning to hand off Games Day to the Dunn's in the near future. Adra

had no information on Special Events.

Sandi: There have been no new members over the past two months but Sandi is working on the New Member packet. Betty Schwartz wants to step down from Members Helping Members so Sandi will work with her and Christi Austin.

Delilah: Amy brought up a question from another member regarding hospitality; that being why do we have snacks at the meetings? In the past, Michele would take leftovers to The Corner Table in Newton, but it may be creating an issue for Sharon. The consensus around the table was that snacks weren't necessary and that it would probably be good to stop them. Keep the water, tea and coffee. This would certainly make Sharon's job easier too. Discuss at the next meeting.

There was some general discussion regarding the Holiday Party and what has and hasn't been done so far. Delilah has not been able to get the entertainment she had wanted as they are not available on the date we have settled (Friday, December 6th). She is looking to find possibly a string quartet through the Western Piedmont Orchestra or some other venue.

Business cards were discussed regarding the change of website and it was determined that there is no need at this time to order more. Greg has set it up that the .com site reflects back to the .org site and Adra will confirm with Greg that the email address will continue to come to her gmail account.

Kevin McCutcheon had requested a \$100 sponsorship from Newcomers for the Golf Tournament run by the Marine detachment in September. Dianne made a motion to support the sponsorship, seconded by Dale, which passed unanimously. Dale will notify Kevin and supply the funds.

Dale notified the board that he has established a debit card for Newcomers through BB&T. If anyone needs to make a large purchase, they should call or email Dale and he will contact them with the card number for their use.

There being no further business, Sandi adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

The next board meeting will be August 28 at Adra's, 609 41st Avenue Court NW, Hickory.

Respectfully submitted,

Adra Kryszczuk
Acting Secretary