

Minutes of Board Meeting
Newcomer's of Catawba County
May 27, 2020

Meeting was called to order by President Cathi Montgomery at 10:28 AM via Zoom. Aside from Cathi, present at the meeting were: Vice President Rob Herman, Treasurer Kathy Rozea, Past President Delilah Bragg, Secretary Chris Beckom (audio/visual problems but could hear entire meeting), and directors Adra Kryszczuk, Amy Chizen and Addie McSherley. Absent was director Suzie Matthews. Also present was Francine Gissy who is assisting Suzie Matthews with the charity.

President: Cathi started by saying she and Vice President, Rob, met yesterday to discuss reopening the club. They discussed restarting lunch out, coffee and conversation, and team cuisine, along with other established club activities following Governor Cooper's guidelines which Cathi had sent out to all board members. Cathi said member Sharon Snelling had contacted Crosswind's Café at the Hickory Airport where many Newcomer's functions are held. Information obtained from Sharon and relayed to the group was that functions would be limited to 25 people who would pay for the room at the airport by buying a meal from the café during the function. Also, general meetings could resume, limited to 25 people for a cost of \$30.00 for drinks and room fee.

Rob Herman said that each activities chairperson (cards, shooting, etc) would have to make their own decision regarding how to start back up and that any chairperson who didn't want to start back up could appoint another person to chair the committee.

Cathi said she would get an email out to each activity chairperson regarding starting activities back up and would ask for a response within a week from the time she sends the email. She also said she is working up an article for the monthly Newsletter that would let members know that activities would soon be restarting on some kind of basis. It was understood that activities might start out slow as people may be hesitant to start getting out.

Francine talked about lunches out restarting and suggested restaurants with outdoor seating would be good to start.

Adra made a motion to go ahead with reopening activities which was seconded by Kathy R. Motion passed.

Vice President: Rob said there were two new members this month. No other news on membership.

Treasurer: Kathy said there had been no feedback from board members on her preliminary budget. Adra made motion to accept preliminary budget. Seconded by Rob and preliminary budget was approved. Regarding unpaid dues, Kathy had made a list and assigned board members to call them to remind and to see if they intend to continue as members. Adra had an update on a few of the members dues, or decisions not to renew membership, and relayed this to the board.

Secretary: Motion to accept minutes from April Meeting was made by Kathy R. and seconded by Rob H. April minutes approved.

Charity: Francine said no charity updates.

Activities: Amy said the pontoon party and picnic had been cancelled citing that the people on the Events Committee she had talked with did not think they were a good idea at this time. She mentioned a few activities

that may be scheduled for the summer like a museum tour or trip to outlet mall. She said the pool party at the Legrand's house is still on in July. The group discussed possible ways to salvage the picnic including maybe catering it from somewhere like Lowe's foods with board members serving, or perhaps members bringing box lunches. Discussed how to social distance at a picnic with maybe three pavilions rented instead of two.

Cathi brought up member Chris Almeida's idea of having some kind of a food auction for charity to get people together. Amy will let Chris know that her idea is being discussed.

The end of year Holiday party was touched on but nothing decided. It was noted that Chris Beckom was not going to be on the party venue committee due to health problems at home and that another person would have to be found for the committee.

Meeting was ended at 11:04 AM.

Respectfully submitted

Chris Beckom
Secretary