

Minutes of Board Meeting  
Newcomers of Catawba Valley  
August 26, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Club President Cathi Montgomery at 10:35 AM via Zoom. Present at the meeting aside from the President were Vice President Rob Herman, Treasurer Kathy Rozea, Secretary Chris Beckom, Past President Delilah Bragg and Directors Adra Kryszczuk, Amy Chizen and Nancy Geiger. Director Addie McSherley was absent.

President: Cathi asked for approval of the minutes of the July minutes. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Adra and seconded by Amy and motion to accept was passed.

Vice President: Rob said there were no new members since the last Board meeting.

He discussed the results of the survey regarding interest in returning to activities that was sent out to all club members earlier in August. Ninety members responded. It was discussed that many members are couples or families who use the same email, so the responses received may have represented a greater number of members than it first appeared. The results, which are attached to the minutes, reflect a split group with a strong contingent being fearful of returning to activities during the pandemic. He felt that it would be helpful for the activity coordinators to send out an email detailing what safety measures they would put in place for activities when they resume, so the members would know what to expect if they decided to attend. It was suggested to redo the survey in three to four months to see if any changes are reflected. Also, to include a way for the responder to let him know how many family members the responder is speaking for in the survey. The Board agreed.

Treasurer: Kathy had sent the results of the First Quarter Financial Report to all Board members. This report is attached to the minutes. A motion was made by Adra to accept, seconded by Chris and the Financial Report was accepted.

Charity: Nancy said she will again put a plea in the Newsletter this month asking for donations for Robin's Nest as only one donation had been made thus far. September is the last month for donations to be made to this charity. The Fourth Quarter Charity is Marine's Toys for Tots and collection bins will again be at the Airport along with many other locations for members to drop off unwrapped gifts. It was proposed that Robin's Nest be a Club charity again in 2021, possibly in the second or third quarter to give more opportunity for members to donate.

Special Events: Amy said she is still hopeful for a shopping trip to a mall with masks expected in the car and in stores along with eating in a food court where members can be somewhat socially distant. Also, she is hopeful for a possible picnic in a park with food catered from an outside source in late September. The Trolley Leaf Peeper tour was touched on as a possibility. She also said the club now owns a Corn Hole set purchased for \$138.

President: Cathi asked Board members how they felt about the Holiday Party this year considering the results of the survey and it was felt that the party should be cancelled for this year. Again, discussed resuming activities. Adra said she and games coordinator Paige Straley are interested in trying to restart cards at the Airport. Adra suggested inviting members to one day card game and one evening card game in October to see what the responses are like. This was agreed pending Governor Coopers next decision regarding restrictions.

Cathi also brought up the nominating committee for new board members for next year. Adra said she will check the by-laws to see when that should occur. Also, brought up was the possibility of asking current Board Members to stay on for another year.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted

Chris Beckom  
Secretary

# NEWCOMERS IF CATAWBA COUNTY SURVEY RESULTS AUGUST, 2020

1. What age group do you identify with?

- o 18 to 59 0%
- o 60 to 69 43%
- o 70 to 79 46%
- o 80 or older 5%

2. Thinking about the Newcomer's club as a whole, do you miss the activities?

- o A great deal 19%
- o A lot 21%
- o A moderate amount 40%
- o A little 10%
- o None at all 0%

3. How anxious does the thought of attending any activity with Newcomers during the pandemic make you feel?

- o Extremely anxious 15%
- o Very anxious 28%
- o Somewhat anxious 31%
- o Slightly anxious 13%
- o Not so anxious 12%

4. If Newcomer's were to resume your favorite activities today with safety precautions would you attend?

- o Very likely 10%
- o Likely 39%
- o Unlikely 31%
- o Very Unlikely 17%

5. What would make you more likely to attend a Newcomer function that you previously enjoyed? (check all that apply)

- o Everyone attending has indicated they have shown no symptoms of Covid for 10 days. 14%
- o I know and trust the members in attendance 10%
- o The group is guaranteed to be small (10-12 people) 15%
- o Hand sanitizer is available and used frequently by all attendees 17%
- o Everyone stays 6 feet apart 14%
- o Everyone is wearing a mask 18%
- o When a vaccine is available 12%

The average person chose 3.4 itmes

6. When would you return to Newcomer events if safety precautions were instituted?

- o Immediately 14%

- o Fall/Winter 26%
- o Next year 10%
- o When the Governor declares we are in Phase 3 14%
- o Not until a vaccine is available 26%
- o I won't ever attend again 0%
- o Other \_\_\_\_\_ 10%

Answers: When I know the Newcomers Plan, When Newcomers in compliant to Phase 3, When Catawba County number begin to decline.

7. What Newcomer types of activities would you participate in, if they were available NEXT MONTH and your safety precautions were held? (check all that apply)

- o Lunch Bunch or Coffee Conversation 20%
- o Card Playing (any type) 21%
- o Dominoes 5%
- o Mahjonn 4%
- o Rummikub 2%
- o Team Cuisine 13%
- o Outdoor activities (Hiking, Biking, Boating) 20%
- o Other \_\_\_\_\_ 15%

NONE was major answer with 15% and 11% did not answer this question. Thus 26% will not attend anything planned next month.

8. Would you attend Newcomer meetings held outdoors?
- o Very Likely 19%

o **Likely 35%**

o **Unlikely 41%**


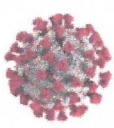


o **Very Unlikely 5%**

9. Would you plan to attend a Newcomers Holiday Party in December if precautions were maintained?

o **Yes 41%**

o **No 59%**

4% did not answer this question.

<p>Newcomers Catawba Valley</p> <p>COVID-19 Survey Results Snapshot</p>	Engagement	Concerns	Safety Precautions	Activities in demand
	 <p><b>80%</b> of Respondents Significantly miss Newcomers activities</p> <p><b>59%</b> would not attend a Holiday Party due to current events around Covid-19</p>	 <p><b>56%</b> Of members are only mildly or slightly anxious about returning to activities</p> <p><b>26%</b> Would not return to activities until a vaccine is available and in use</p>	 <p><b>49%</b> Of members would return TODAY to activities if Safety Precautions are instituted and enforced including:</p> <p><b>50%</b> Want members to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Wear a Mask</li> <li>• Use Hand Sanitizer frequently</li> <li>• Meet in Small groups</li> </ul>	 <p><b>21%</b> Of members would return to card games next month if offered with safety rules</p> <p><b>20%</b> Of members would return to Lunch bunch next month or outdoor activities like boating or hiking</p>

**Newcomers of Catawba Valley**

Month: (#1)

April 30, 2020

<u>Date</u>	<u>Reference #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Trans. Receipt/ Pymt Amt</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Balance</u>
4/1/2020		Beginning Bank Balance				\$ 4,717.36
4/11/2020		Deposit - Memberships	\$ 88.00			
4/20/2020		Deposit - Memberships	\$ 72.50			
			<u>\$ 160.50</u>		\$ 160.50	
4/11/2020		Sponsor -Linda Mears	\$ 35.00			
		Sponsor -Hickory Hop	\$ 35.00			
			<u>\$ 70.00</u>		\$ 70.00	
4/1/2020		Website Expense	\$ 15.16			
			<u>\$ 15.16</u>	\$ 15.16		
MEMO CORRECTION: \$68 Repaid unused advance; recorded \$132 expense and reversed \$200 advance for prior period						
4/30/2020		Ending Bank Balance				<u>\$ 4,932.70</u>

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Month: (#2)

May 31, 2020

<u>Date</u>	<u>Reference #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Trans. Receipt/ Pymt Amt</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Balance</u>
		Beginning Bank Balance				\$ 4,932.70
5/4/2020		Deposit - Memberships	\$ 25.00			
5/13/2020		Deposit - Memberships	\$ 37.50			
5/18/2020		Deposit - Memberships	\$ 179.65			
5/26/2020		Deposit - Memberships	\$ 100.00			
		Total Membership Deposits	<u>\$ 342.15</u>		\$ 342.15	
5/4/2020		Deposit - Charity	<u>\$ 11.00</u>		\$ 11.00	
Payments						
5/8/2020		Charity Safe Harbor	\$ 75.50			
		Catawba Library	\$ 200.00			
5/13/2020		Caldwell Library	\$ 200.00			
5/26/2020		Reimburse Duplicate Dues Payment	\$ 30.00			
		Operating Expense	\$ 264.86			
		Total Payments	<u>\$ 770.36</u>	\$ 770.36		
Note: Alexander Library \$200 Outstanding Check						
5/29/2020		Ending Bank Balance				<u>\$ 4,515.49</u>

**Newcomers of Catawba Valley**

Month: (#3)

June 30, 2020

<u>Date</u>	<u>Reference #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Trans. Receipt/ Pymt Amt</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Balance</u>
5/30/2020		Beginning Bank Balance				\$ 4,515.49
6/4/2020		Deposit - Memberships	\$ 75.00			
6/18/2020		Deposit - Memberships	\$ 77.50			
		Total Membership Deposits	<u>\$ 152.50</u>		\$ 152.50	
6/18/2020		Lake Hickory Adventures - Sponsor	\$ 50.00			
		Edward Jones - Sponsor	\$ 50.00			
			<u>\$ 100.00</u>		\$ 100.00	
Payments						
		Total Payments	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ -		
Note: Alexander Library \$200 Outstanding Check						
6/30/2020		Ending Bank Balance - End of First Quarter 2020/2021				<u>\$ 4,767.99</u>