

Newcomers of Catawba Valley
Board Meeting Minutes
June 22, 2022
(as revised at the July 27, 2022 meeting)

The meeting was called to order by Cathi Montgomery at 10:09 at her home. Members present were Rob Herman, Cathi Montgomery, Adra Kryszczuk, Karen Mills, Kathy Rosea, Kathy Kuehn, and Amy Chizen. Nancy Geiger was absent. Minutes of the last meeting were moved to be approved by Amy, seconded by Rob and passed unanimously. First order of business brought to the table was Robert's Rules of Order, stating that when a guest is present and asks to speak, the board must agree to allow. If anyone objects, the guest cannot speak. The board can make a motion at the onset of the meeting to allow the person to speak if they choose.

Membership: Rob reported the following data for new applicants – January – 6, February – 6, March – 13, April – 5, May – 6, June to date – 4. Concern was brought that people applying 3 months ago were not contacted until late, so committees were not able to contact them re: their interests. Discussion ensued re: developing a process to enter new applicants into the system. Adra, Rob and Kathy R will write that up. Kathy reported that we have 63 members that did not renew, with a total membership of 301. Rob stated that he is planning a new member luncheon in August.

Treasurer:(1) Kathy presented a 3 month balance sheet for review. It was moved to be approved by Karen, seconded by Kathy K and passed. (2) A computer and printer were purchased for the club for \$580.00/\$250.00. (3) An anonymous donation of \$120.00 was presented to the club. Kathy R. will explore the possible source (Dawn Ross?). (4) Kathy R. is looking into changing banks for the club. (5) Cathy M. requested a process to allow the clubs debit card to be used by all board members. (6) A committee was developed consisting of Cathy M., Kathy R. and Kathy K. to create a yearlong budget. (7) Rob would like to look into a method for member to use credit/debit cards for club expenses. It was moved by Adra to table until next meeting.

Charities: Nancy sent a message that June 28th will be the last volunteer date for the Outreach Center in Morganton.

Special Events: Amy listed the following upcoming events:

7/7 Blueberry picking
7/12 Trader Joe's trip to Winston Salem
7/16 Pool Party at LeGrand's
7/26 Wine and Design
8/16 Catawba Historical Museum Tour
8/23 Mt. Airy
9/12 Tubing
9/15 Pontoon Party

Programs: Kathy K. stated Tracey Trimble from International Resources and Hickory Metro Group will present on July 13th. A further discussion of potential programs ensued. A proposal was made to have Nancy provide a charity speaker one month of each quarter, instead of a program. This will be voted on next month when Nancy is present.

Cards and Games: Adra reported the following:

6/23 Samba with 6 tables

7/5 Games and Canasta

7/27 Samba

Adra reported that evenings work better for some people and there will be activities on 7/5 and 7/28. It was suggested by Cathy M. that we have an occasional General Meeting to accommodate working members. Adra motioned to have those meetings to have those meetings September, December, March and June at 6:30 PM. It was moved by Karen and seconded by Kathy K.

New Business: Adra and Amy reported that rack cards were distributed to realtors and libraries. Adra presented the revised policy to create a new Newcomers activity, prepared by Rob and revised at the May meeting. A discussion regarding attendance of grandchildren at events was tabled. Amy is investigating ID buttons for volunteers and for tours. Off-site meetings were discussed. Historically they are generated by the speaker. It was decided that we should have no more than two per year.

Next General Meeting: July 13, 2022

Next Board of Directors Meeting: July 27, 2022 at Kathy R.'s house.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Mills
Secretary