

# **Newcomers of Catawba Valley Board of Directors Meeting Minutes January 24, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by Adra Kryszczuk, President, at 10:12 a.m. at the home of Amy Chizen. This was the last meeting of the 2022-2023 Board and served as a transitional meeting for the newly elected Board members. Current and new Board members present were: Adra Kryszczuk, Debbie Hindman, Sharon Snellings, Sonya Reid, Nancy Geiger, Evie Gibson, Amy Chizen, Paul Nielsen, Michelle Tompkins, and Patti Ramsey. The following board members were absent: Rob Herman, Cathi Montgomery, Roxanne Hibbs and Kathy Rozea.

The minutes from the December Board meeting were presented and Sharon noted that one grammatical correction had been made to the distributed minutes. Debbie made a motion to accept the minutes as amended and Evie seconded the motion; the minutes of the December Board meeting were approved.

Evie made a motion to allow guests (new Board members) to speak during the meeting and Debbie seconded the motion; motion carried.

Introductions of current and incoming Board members were made individually.

## **Membership**

Debbie reported a total of 68 new members in calendar year 2023 and two new members in January 2024. Total current membership is 336 members. Debbie reported that all welcome letters have been sent out and applications will be sent to the appropriate activity leaders shortly.

## **Secretary**

No report.

## **Treasurer**

Sonya reported the following:

Current Balance	\$4,590.97
Outstanding Expenses	\$3,063.35
Beginning Balance	\$1,527.62

Sonya provided current and incoming Board members with a copy of a proposed budget for 2024-2025. She provided an explanation and discussion ensued. Members will review the budget and provide additional comments to Sonya prior to the next meeting.

## **Charities**

Nancy reported that the Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry (CCM) will be the charity for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2024. Our guest speaker in January was Molly Sain of CCM and we will continue collecting requested items at the February and March meetings. Nancy will contact Molly to determine if Newcomers could have a tour of the CCM facility. Nancy reported that Marje Wells and Linda Zacharenko will be taking over the Charities function starting with the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter.

## **Special Events**

Amy Chizen reported that Cindy Zook and Jon Kiser are now the Special Events Committee Chairs for the upcoming year and that the SEC held a planning meeting on January 18<sup>th</sup> during which the Committee laid out plans for five major events. Amy reported that February 2<sup>nd</sup> there will be a Friday Friendly Feud game and potluck dinner at the airport. Deadline for signing up is January 31<sup>st</sup>. Amy and Evie provided a recap of the January winter party. The 66 attendees gave it good reviews and the Committee was pleased that it came in under budget. A recommendation was made to reduce the time by one hour next year.

## **New Business**

Club debit card will transfer from Adra to Amy. Sonya will obtain a second card for use by the SEC Chairs to reduce the process/paperwork of filing for reimbursement.

**Newsletter** – Adra reported that she will produce the newsletter in February and that the deadline for sending in information will be the day after the monthly Board meeting. We are looking for a replacement editor and if one cannot be found, we will suspend issuance of the newsletter.

**Speaker Schedule for Charities** – Nancy made a recommendation to change the quarterly charity presentation to the last week of every quarter (March, June, September, December) so that the presentation would occur at a daytime meeting. Nancy noted that we have a smaller attendance level at evening meetings (first month of every quarter). NOTE: Following the meeting, Nancy had further discussion with Marje and Linda and the decision was made to maintain our current schedule.)

**New Member Orientation**- Paul reported that he plans to develop a packet to be given to visitors/first time attendees at the monthly meetings. The packet will contain key information to help new members become involved in the Club. He will be sending that out to Board members for comment.

**Next General Meeting – Wednesday, March 13, 2024 @ 10:30 a.m. (Hickory Airport)**

**Next Board of Directors Meeting – Wednesday, February 28, 2024 @ 10:00 a.m. (Patrick Beaver Library – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room)**

**Meeting adjourned at 11:35**

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Snellings, Secretary