

**Newcomers of Catawba Valley General Meeting  
Hickory Regional Airport  
March 8, 2017**

Carol Hoover, President, called the meeting to order at 10:46 a.m.

Carol Hoover thanked Carol Sawiski and Shari Kidd for bringing refreshments.

**MEETING MINUTES**

A motion to approve the February minutes was made by Kevin McKutcheon and seconded by Cindy Donahue. The motion passed by common consent.

**INTRODUCTION of NEW MEMBERS and GUESTS – Joe Paussa**

- Verna McDowell moved July 2016 from Franklin, NC. Her hobbies include birding, geneology and painting.

**QUARTERLY CHARITY - Joe Paussa**

Joe Paussa reported the quarterly charity for The Corner Table was a success.

**End of Year Charities:**

Newcomers donated a total of \$850.00 to three deserving charities in 2017 as an example of the club's commitment to improving our community.

- Imagination Library: \$250.00
- Robin's Nest Child Advocacy Center in Lenoir: \$250.00
- Friends of the Hickory Public Library: \$350.00

Charities are chosen from four counties: Burke, Alexandra, Caldwell, and Catawba. Toys for Tots is always held in the fall of each year with other not-for-profits selected on a rotating basis.

**50-50 DRAWING**

Sharon Snelling was the winner of the 50-50 drawing. A total of \$66.00 was raised with half going to The Corner Table.

**TREASURER REPORT – Adra Kryszczuk**

Adra reminded attendees that the 2017-2018 dues are \$30.00 per year per household. Renew by March 31<sup>st</sup> and get a \$5.00 discount.

The beginning balance: February 1, 2017 is \$2,414.57. Income totaled \$643.00 and expenses totaled \$965.26. Ending balance: February 17, 2017 is \$2,092.31.

**PROGRAM: Our Club. The Past Year and the Year Ahead – Carol Hoover**

A discussion was held on past years initiatives and interests/ideas for next year's activities.

- Members completed a survey of past year events they want repeated, events in this fiscal year they would attend, and check events members are willing to organize. Information will be tabulated.
- Marketing suggestions included the placement of brochures on rack cards, chambers of commerce, libraries, convention center, knit shops, real estate offices, super market bulletin boards, and church bulletin boards.

### **BOARD NOMINATIONS – Carol Parker**

Carol Parker asked each board nominee to introduce themselves. She asked for nominations on each position. The following were elected by consensus for the upcoming fiscal year starting April 1, 2017.

<b>President</b>	<b>Carol Hoover</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Joe Paussa</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Vince LeGrand</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Francine Gissy</b>
<b>Past President</b>	<b>Dianne Straley</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>Denise Bukovan</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>Shari Kidd</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>Bob Jones</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>Adra Krryszczuk</b>

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Carol reviewed the calendar events listed on the agenda with emphasis on the following.

- **Crawdad Game on May 12<sup>th</sup> with a picnic and game out. The event starts at 6:30 pm and the event cost is \$18.00 per person.**
- **General Meeting: April 12, 2017**

There being no further business, Carol adjourned the meeting at 12:11pm.

Submitted by:  
Francine Gissy, Treasurer