

Board Meeting Minutes  
February 19, 2014  
The Cellar

Present: Lisa Bowman, Tim Lutz, Susan Kennedy, Joy Moll, Sharron Wesley Porter, Karman Wheeler  
Guests: Krys Bowman John Morris, Joe Porter, Barry Swihart, Mike Thomas, Theresa Thomas, Bob Wolf,



### **CALLED TO ORDER**

Tim Lutz called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

#### **1. MINUTES**

Susan Kennedy motioned to approve January Board Minutes, Lisa Bowman seconded. Motion carried.

#### **2. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Sharron Wesley Porter provided Financial Report. January 17, 2014 balance was \$4,716.10. Transactions include \$314.00 expenses and \$5,549.00 in deposits. Available balance as of February 19 is \$4,862.49. She noted the inability to deposit directly into the savings account at Chase which will be reflected in our checking account transactions.

#### **3. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **a. Christmas Party**

Susan Kennedy has scheduled a Committee meeting for March 10 at 6:30 p.m. to anyone interested in attending. She will check with The Cellar for room availability. If unavailable, she will use Roosters.

##### **b. Anniversary Party**

Barry Swihart reported \$10,168 in expenses for the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party. With an income of \$15,975, a profit of \$5807 was made on the event. He reminded the Board of the need for a major portion of the expenses to be made prior to the event ( e.g. band and hotel expenses). We will need approximately \$7,000 up front.

Bob Wolf provided updates.

- i. Hotel Agreement - Bob has located a copy the hotel agreement with Holiday Inn North used for a previous anniversary celebration. The document does not include the addendum that was attached to the original document.
- ii. Committee Minutes - Electronic copies of the minutes from the first meeting of the Anniversary Party were sent to Board members prior to the meeting. This document will be updated and will continue to evolve with notes from subsequent meetings.
- iii. Survey - Bob provided a brief survey that he plans to distribute at the General Meeting to obtain feedback from members
- iv. Locations – Checking out Best Western (formerly Holiday Inn) on Richmond Road, and downtown venues. Clarion was also suggested.

- v. Volunteers – Bob has had several additional members volunteer to be on committee.
- vi. Next meeting – February 25 with everyone welcome to attend.

#### **4. Old Business**

##### **a. Unpaid Concert Tickets**

##### **b. By-Laws**

Problems associated with the attempt to vote on changes to the By-Laws last year were discussed. Problems were associated with the electronic survey and accuracy of the Yahoo Group. Lisa Bowman motioned that a paper copy By-Laws vote take place at the April General Meeting with the ability to submit an absentee ballot up to the vote date at the General meeting. Susan Kennedy seconded the motion. It carried. Tim has asked three members to serve as Election Officers. Two have been confirmed (Bob Cummings and John Morris) and one pending (Dave Comstock). The Board members will review the By-Laws changes to identify any potential problems that could occur if only a section of a By-Law was approved that linked to another section.

##### **c. T-Shirts**

Tim Lutz and Bob Wolf reported on T-shirt orders.

Bob Wolf sent Custom Inc. two logos; the current logo and the one containing a purple parrot. If we order 100, the cost would be \$19.26 (50 would be \$23.00). The shirt would be placed online with the ability to be able to order individual shirt size and colors. We could consider changing the color of the purple parrot to blue or using PHIP logo.

Tim Lutz is working with another organization on a new logo. The price is approximately the same as the quotes Bob received with the exception of the ability to order 50 or 60 at the same price.

Susan Kennedy motioned that we obtain samples from both companies to examine. Karman Wheeler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **5. New Business**

##### **a. Charity List and Proposals (Speakers)**

- i. Tim Lutz provided a handout with list of potential charities.
- ii. Big Brothers Big Sisters – March 30. Barry Swihart, Lisa Bowman and Phil Boggs will be attending the Kick off lunch on February 20 from 11:45-1:00 at Outback Steak House (Nicholasville Rd.).
- iii. See Cruise (April 6 from 3-7 p.m.) – Theresa Thomas discussed the Event Proposal she had submitted. This event will be an annual event for the Bluegrass Council of the Blind. She noted last year's event brought in \$10,000 that supplemented the Council's \$62,000 annual budget. She will have an employee chair a planning committee that would include 6 BGPB volunteers. Additionally, 16-24 members would be needed the day of the event. The Council will contact previous contributors but would also need us to procure donated items for auction and raffle. Lisa Bowman motioned that we approval the Event Proposal. The motion was seconded by Karman Wheeler and carried.

- iv. Multiple Sclerosis Walk – May 31
- v. Veteran’s Pig Roast (June) and Corn Hole Tournament  
John Morris provided preliminary information. It is a three day event in June at Upcreek Vineyard. “Tailgating for Truce”. John will submit an Event Proposal with additional information.
- vi. Habitate ReStore – Only need volunteers to work store. It was suggested to be used as our May charity.
- vii. Disaster Blasters (August) – The BGPFC participated in this event for two years. It was reported that the first year went very well but the second year did not have the same results. It was noted that Amber Philpot is the chair and that they have a new fund raising employee Tim Lutz will meet with them to specify what their expectations are. It was noted that this event would not have to be a charity but just an event members could participate in.
- viii. Other Charities – Glute 1, Walk for Alzheimers (September), Sunflower Kids.

**b. Events**

- i. St. Patrick’s Day Parade (March 15). Tim Lutz submitted application and has received approval to participate. He has obtained a silver golf cart for the parade. Karman Wheeler noted the possibility of obtaining a bed frame (used for racing) if we need it. Lisa Bowman will go by Kramers to purchase beads. Oriental Trading is also a vender that we could use if needed. Everyone participating in the parade will wear green.
- ii. Keeneland Day – April 13. If we decide to tailgate, he will bring bus.
- iii. Florence Freedom Ball Game (June 28) – The game is at 5:35 p.m. Immediately after the game Conch Republic will be playing. At the 7<sup>th</sup> inning there will be a hat parade on the field. Representative will be at our general meeting on Friday to provide additional information. We have the opportunity to purchase regular tickets or \$20 tickets that would include a buffet. If we have enough interest, we could investigate renting a bus.
- iv. Buffett Concert (July 21) – 31 tickets sold. A sign-up sheet will be available at the April meeting.
- v. Legend Game - tabled

**c. Team Snap vs. Yahoo Group**

Tim Lutz described the problems experienced with Yahoo such as the inability to make changes. He has also received complaints from members about being dropped.

A solution to the problems would be to change to “Team Snap”. Advantages in using Team Snap:

- Email about meeting
- Responses can be monitored
- Will list next three upcoming events on the calendar
- Members can select the amount of information they want placed on the site.

- All reviews of Team Snap were positive
- Annual fee is \$126

Lisa Bowman motioned that we switch to Team Snap. Susan Kennedy seconded and motion carried.

Tim will make an announcement about the change at the February meeting. At the March meeting, a presentation/training session will be given to members.

**d. Bus/Food for Buffett Concert**

Bus - Tim Lutz noted we will have Mike Robinson as the driver of the Bluegrass Tours Bus. The amount charged for the bus has not changed for several years, although the cost of the bus has gone up. Lisa Bowman motioned the cost for riders be raised to \$30. The motion was seconded by Sharron Wesley Porter and carried. The sign-up sheet will be available at the April General Meeting.

The Board reviewed ideas for lunch and dinner. Sharron Wesley Porter motioned that the extra money from the bus be used to purchase subs for lunch and pizzas for dinner. If there is a shortfall, the club will pay the difference. Karman Wheeler seconded the motion and the motion carried. All BGPHC bus riders and non-bus riders attending the tail gate will be asked to bring a dish.

**e. Welcome Ambassador Change**

Tim Lutz announced that Tommy Edwards has stepped down from this position. He appointed Leisha Sexton to the position.

**f. March Happy Hour**

Tim Lutz announced the Happy Hour will be at Southside Pub. This is also Fat Tuesday. There will be drink and food specials. They will also be giving us items to raffle.

**g. April Happy Hour**

The April Happy Hour will be at Bru Burger or Brasabana.

**h. April Board Meeting**

Rooster for April board meeting

**6. Adjournment**

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.