

## **Minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting of the Albuquerque Press Club**

Without objection, the minutes of the 2010 meeting were approved.

### **Board report (Thom Wright)**

Thanks to all our volunteers.

The past year has been reasonably uneventful.

We'd had plans to re-do the club's roof this year, but that hasn't been done; the project is planned for this coming year. The project will include installing insulation.

The Hotel Parq Central has been talking to city council about projected plans to make extensive changes to the park surrounding the club, plans which would include eliminating the parking lot. So far, these plans have not made it beyond discussion stage.

The club's manager now has the added responsibility of doing the bookkeeping, including daily sales, dealing with checks, and monthly inventory.

### **Vice president's report (Tony Couture)**

In an effort to bring more professional press and associate press members into the club, we have reduced membership dues for these memberships and we will hold a recruitment effort early next year.

In addition, the National Press Club has modified and broadened the definitions of their membership categories. We will be considering modifying our own definitions in order to reflect those of the National Press Club once again.

### **Treasurer's report (Jim Riordan)**

The P&L report was reviewed.

Bob Springer, though he is not the treasurer, actively monitors our books on a regular and frequent basis.

As we are a non-profit, all earnings go back into the operation or to charity.

A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report as given. Motion was seconded and passed.

### **Director Hatcher's report**

Our insurance rates have been renegotiated and as a result our insurance costs have been lowered.

### **Membership committee report (Kouri Antinone)**

Membership numbers remain stable at about 150. Dues for social membership will remain the same while professional working media and associate media membership rates will be lowered.

### **Manager's report (Jonathan Wright)**

We got new furniture for the patio. Summer events on the patio were a success.

We continue to rotate our beer selection on a regular basis.

Please remember that this is your club, and not just any other bar, so please treat it respectfully.

### **President's report (Thom Wright)**

The club sponsors the Whittlesey House Preservation Foundation (WHPF), which provides support for the repair and maintenance of our historic clubhouse.

Information about the club, our calendar, and the WHPF is available on our website, [QPressClub.com](http://QPressClub.com).

### ***New Business***

Elections:

Officers are elected to 1 year terms and directors to 2 year terms.

This year's returning directors are Bob Springer, Barry Hatcher, and Chris Potter.

Nominees for officer positions were:

President - Tony Couture

Vice President - Thom Wright

Secretary - Dawn Catanach

Treasurer - Jim Riordan

There were no nominations from the floor.

A motion was made to accept Tony Couture as president by acclamation. Motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to accept Thom Wright as vice president by acclimation. Motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to accept Dawn Catanach as secretary by acclimation. Motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to accept Jim Riordan as treasurer by acclimation. Motion was seconded and passed.

Five nominees ran for three director positions: Steve Hurlburt, Steve Satchwell, Pam Micker, Kouri Antinone, and Jim Corveddu. No nominations were made from the floor. Nominations were closed. Candidates gave short speeches. Recess for casting and counting ballots.

Results: Our new directors are Steve Hurlburt, Pam Micker, and Kouri Antinone.

Kathy Hart, longtime member, passed away this year.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Motion passed.

Submitted 2/29/12,

Dawn Catanach