

Minutes: Press Club, Board Meeting Sunday, December 13th, 2015

PRESS CLUB

BOARD MEETING Date: December 13th, 2015

Location: Press Club board room;

Members Present:

President, Thom Wright

Vice President: Kouri Antinone; Secretary: David Donaldson; Director: Steve Satchwell;
Director: Kristen Elliot; Director: Adam Di Aloe; Director-Ken Hargis

Member Absent: Erin Debenport Director; Jim Reordan Director; Treasurer: Cynthia Stepleton

Also Present: Maynard Cowen

Meeting called to order at 1:05 PM

President called for approval of November minutes: Unanimously approved without dissent.

President's Report: Thom indicated that he'd received a notice from IRS alleging that the club owes \$1,000. According to Thom, that amount was paid this past summer and he receive a note from IRS stating that "everything was resolved." There is still some confusion about the matter. Thom will need to review.

Committee Reports:

Vice President's Report: Not a huge amount to report. Fortunately, the club was able to line up a lot of space heaters to substitute for the broken boiler. Events held in the club this past month have been very successful.

Treasurer's Report: Cynthia not present. She is currently undergoing surgery. The question arose whether the club can hire someone to resolve this years issue? Thom spent several hours going over books but doesn't have compete information as of this afternoon's board meeting. Thom commented that a preliminary overview of the past months accounts shows that membership income was down; sales last month were down, but probably down due to broken boiler. However, if we can compare our sales to December, 2014, it appears that we have an average year.

Secretary's Report: David sent a draft of the November minutes to Thom for review. No comment was forthcoming. He waited a week, then sent minutes to all board members.

Manager's Report: Several things missing from the club. The podium club is gone as well as several extension cords.

Membership Report: Three new members this month. Hopeful that membership will increase next year. All three applicants were approved.

Web & Media Report: Ken reported that there had been some issues with the domain registration payment method, and he will need to get in touch with Jonathan Wright, the former manager, in order to unlock some domains for transfer to the Club's ownership.

Social Media Report: More people checking in on Facebook. Doing best to keep people informed.

Art committee: Kouri reported that Meg Heine is currently on display. She indicated that Lise has already lined-up the next two months. There will be a DASCHA show Saturday, December. 26th.

Bldg. and Grounds; Thom has been in touch with the building Inspector; There is a venting issue that might be a bit more complicated than expected. The club will need to reconfigure the furnace and boiler vents. Boiler is supposed to be shipped on Dec. 23rd but given the holiday season, it may not be received until January.

Thank you to Rhian Hibner and Adam for cleaning up and for attending to the wood supply.

Community Liaison: As a result of the dues reconfiguration, David proposed that the membership committee delete reference to the neighborhood association discount.

Nominating Committee: Thom Wright announced that he will not run for a board position in 2016. Kouri does not want to consider the presidency., although, she will run again as Vice President. Positions are still open for President and Treasurer. David indicated that he will run again for Secretary, Adam will consider the vacant President position. Steve Satchwell reminds the board that we can ask for nomination from the floor.

Audit committee; Nothing new; Thom going over things with Bobby and Jim.

The board thanks Thom for his years as president. Unanimously approved.

Unfinished business; No unfinished business;

Board meeting adjourned at 1:55 PM