

9/11/17

Meeting Called to Order: 7:10

Members Present: President Kevin Fuller, Vice President Matt Kuchar, Treasurer Maynard Cowan, Secretary Courtney Foster, Directors Steve Satchwell, Ken Hargis, Kristin Elliott

Also Present: Social media expert Auri Vgil and General Manager Hali Loving

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Reading and approval, “Satchwell” and “Kristin” needs to be corrected to the proper spelling. Last word of “bearings” on page two needs to be fixed. Ken motions to accept. Kristin seconds. Motion passed with no oppositions

Officer's Reports:

President's Report—Not a whole lot, but we want to add the upcoming Mayoral Mixer to our unfinished business. Welcome to Auri, a new Social Media correspondent . Happy birthday, Matt !

Vice President's Report—He's reached out to people for more board member candidates; he has a few folks who are interested. We will revisit this in the unfinished business.

Treasurer's Report—It's been a great month with a fantastic profit increase. Bar sales up by \$4K, which is an indication of the events we've thrown. Events are where we seem to make our money, so we need to pay attention to those. We need to find a way to try to capitalize on the Balloon Fiesta crowds/tourists. Everything else looks in line. Club rentals are looking a little low, but it might be something we miscoded in Quick Books. Quick Book inputs need to be looked at to avoid miscoding. Memberships are phenomenally up. Thank you's to Laura—praise be to Laura. Compared to this time last year, we're doing great. The variances that we've had in the past have been tightened up—thank you Hali for your great work and attention.

Maynard is still concerned about our water usage. Hali just looked at our most current water bill. It seems like we're about the same for this year to last year. But it looks like our water usage has been about \$600 every month, which is odd. We might have a water leak. Satchwell wants to know about locking up the outside water connections.

Cable TV is an explainable charge. We were on a promo deal last year, this year we are not. Overall, we're doing great and are in the black.

Secretary's Report—Nothing to report.

Committee Reports:

Manager's Report—This Saturday we have our first annual [hopefully] music fest. Holly is doing a fantastic job getting all of this together. Football started on Sunday and we had a great turnout. The staff has started going through the closets for yard sale and art history stuff. Chris and Hali went and bought a few things for the upcoming repairs.

Membership—There are four pending honorary memberships—but who are they? Satchwell wants to know if we're looking to drop any honoraries? Kevin has been using this as a tool to bring media folks in, hence the uptick.

We currently have 23 active honorary members.

It appears that all these new honoraries are accounted for.

There's a social member without a sponsor. Laura is looking into it and will negate if he doesn't call back.

Ken moves to accept all pending new members with exception to the one missing a sponsor. Maynard seconds. With no opposition, motions passes.

Kristin asks Laura if she can get her a list of press/journalist members for the scheduled Mayoral Mixer.

Web & Media—Ken needs a list of names to put up an “In Memory Of” section on the website. Courtney will send all meeting minutes to Ken so he can correct them.

Social Media—Kristin has a committee now! Welcome, Auri. They're excited to promote things and use social media to bring people in to events and make our presence known.

Art Committee—It looks like we've had artists in and out. GPG was here for a little while and they had a great party. Emily Shirey is here now, she has a party this week. Kevin urges Hali to get with Kathy to help the artists sell their works. Matt says Emily is a former employee of his and over the course of her employment she was very introverted, and it's really cool to see her hang her art and be out there. Matt is working on ways to push the public to come check out our art shows and buy some cool art. Kevin reminds us that if there's something that you like hanging up here, as a board member, you should try to show your support and buy something or just take a picture of it and share it, get people involved.

Buildings and Grounds—Chris is not here. Rugby team will be here the last Sunday of the month to help clean and haul away more stuff—thank you, boys.

Small Break at 7:41PM

Reconvene at 7:54PM

Unfinished Business:

Liquor License Update—Kevin has had to calm down before coming in here. He apologizes for his salty email. But on August, 24th he went to Santa Fe, because he thought the deadline was the 29th. He took his last paid-time-off-day to go up there and they wouldn't even talk to him because he wasn't yet officially added to the board. They did warn him though that they were very kind to us last year and will not be so kind to us this year. We had a bartender that was not certified. We had members without all of their documents. And this is unacceptable. This is our commitment to make these things happen. Without our license we are no longer a club. We need to get all affidavits, servers license and fingerprints. We have to ask for forbearance. They are charging us \$10 a day until this happens. The fact that we're late means SID will probably come pay us a visit. The state wont talk to Kevin because he hasn't been added to the board from the last administration.

Kevin needs: someone to go talk on his behalf, and update the status of our board. Steve Satchwell and Kouri might be the only people who can go and fix this, since they were officers last year.

We really need to get in line. In a hurry. We have all paperwork besides Justin's fingerprints.

Satchwell thinks we should suspend Justin from the board for not meeting the qualifications required to be a board member.

Maynard motions to remove Justin from the board. Seconded by Kristin, motion carries.

Kristin nominates Auri to the board.

We should hold off because its now the same issue that wecurrently have with having a board member without their paperwork.

Ken thinks we can leave that position empty until we're done turning all this stuff in, to avoid that whole mess.

Ken will update the email list so that Justin is no longer on the board emails.

Ken thinks that, in the future, April needs to be the new HARD DEADLINE for all board members to have all required documents completed. Can we put this in our bylaws?

There will be a letter to the Secretary of State from our outgoing Secretary at the end of the year that will have our incoming board members and officers listed. This will happen.

APC Rebranding Update—Steve Mo Fye is not here. This will have to wait till next month. Hali will reach out.

Election Committee Discussion—Is there a new format or packet to give to potential new board members? We need more committees/regular members. These committee and involvement opportunities should actually be put on our membership applications. We need more email communication to membership to tell them all about committees.

Matt wants a list of current members to work off of. He will get this.

Satchwell urges Kevin to say these things at the annual meeting.

May says that at the end of this month we need to start sending out these emails to our membership, we have these elections, we have these committees and etc etc.

Matt will start his outreach.

Smoking Policy— Maynard hasn't done anything yet, but we're really going to want to talk about it at the general meeting.

Mayoral Mixer—There will be a press release sent out Wednesday. Everyone should look at the draft.

The wording, “cocktail hour” needs to be changed— “social hour/ meet and greet” is more acceptable.

New Business:

2018 New Mexico Press Awards—Kevin's been looking at other press clubs around the country—and they all work with the press way more than we do.

Something easy and fun we can do is our own local press awards. We could totally host this award ceremony. Satchwell suggest we talk to NMBA about this.

Old “Ape” Awards?

Inclusion over competition is always the way to go.

We could send our submissions to another press club to do the judging.

Lets think big, damnit. We are the Press Club. We don't have to hide under someone else's umbrella.

Ken motions to break for executive sessions. Seconded by many, motion carries.

Executive Session begins at 8:45PM