

October 14, 2019

Call to order: 7:06PM

Members Present: President Laura Dunagan, Vice President Justin Cumley, Treasurer Maynard Cowan [by phone], Secretary Courtney Foster. Directors Ken Hargis, Kouri Antinone, David Hayden, Sarah Blanton, Adam Gates, William Fitzpatrick.

Also Present: General Manager Shaun Gay

Reading and approval of minutes: Ken motions to approve minutes as is. Seconded by Adam, motion passes.

Officer's Reports:

President's Reports:

--Liquor License: License is approved and certificate received. Nothing went wrong. Good job, team! Great job, Laura.

Vice President's Report: Nothing that won't be covered in committees.

Treasurer Report: This year versus last year, we have a huge amount in sales increase. Apartments, movie rentals, and bar sales all helped with this. Go team. Thank you, bar staff for your efforts. We also got a huge cable reimbursement that will show up next month. GRT is higher because we made more money, same with Cost of Goods Sold. It looks like there might be a few expenditures that we don't need to make. We're just going to tighten that up and make sure that our ordering process is a bit more streamlined. Some of our utilities are a little high, they just might have been coded wrong or entered a little late, Maynard will get with Shaun to make sure these are being entered correctly. Most other expenses are exactly where we're supposed to be seeing them. Repair and Maintenance fees are up because of the urinals, the new fire extinguishers/other fire code things that are now paid for and taken care of. There's also a few new apartment fees, but that's just for the regular upkeep maintenance due with having those units occupied, though there might be a few things that have been coded incorrectly—this will be looked at. It also seems there's some missteps in the last payroll, whether they be dated strangely or entered a bit off, Maynard and Shaun will get together, along with the accountant, and make sure this is done correctly next time.

Maynard has successfully negotiated our yearly insurance down in price and we're about to see those savings immediately.

Secretary Report: Nothing to report, other than reminding everyone of the weird new email situation and the best way to get her attention is through a direct message.

Manager's Report: We had a pretty good month, with the movie being filmed and a bunch of events. Shaun is still worried about our social media presence and wants to try to delegate that to his assistant manager. It made solid profits and gave us good face value. We've also got a lot of events coming up in the rest of this October month. We've got the Fall Festival, a family friendly

event with pumpkin carving and chili cooks, We're looking for volunteers! We aren't taking Scarlett's party this year, which might be for the best for the club. We do have the personal invitational right after that.

It does seem that we've broke a few pieces of art with this last art show and how they were hung. We need to work on our art show standards as far as things are hung and what we want to do. So we've installed a couple of hooks in the green room for future artists to use to try to stop this.

Our reach in broke. And our walk in broke. Shaun has tried his best, but our beers are pouring wrong because of it. We've ordered a few products to help with this problem, as a band aid, we just have to wait for them to get in. There is some conversation about putting out for a more expensive solution that will last longer. Will makes a huge argument for making sure our beer cooling system and our walk in is up to date, because beer does a lot for us. Maynard is hesitant about getting a new system, because we've lasted so far on what we've had. Maynard thinks we could use that money elsewhere. There will be pricing comparisons done and we can move forward, or not, once we get a comparable quote and more information on the possible new units.

Laura thinks it might be a good idea to train Veronica in manager things so that Shaun is a bit more free to do more events stuff, or vice versa.

It should be noted that Shaun has done an amazing job. Not only has he brought in more revenue for the club, he's very much changed the feel of the environment for the positive. He's made huge moves to put us on the map and make this club what it should really be. He deserves to have help, and support and should take comfort in knowing that the board is behind him.

Committee Reports:

Art: Current artists will continue hanging until November. Despite the broken pieces and weird scheduling stuff, this has been one of the most well received and lucrative art openings we've had in a while. Thank you to Courtney for sending them our way.

Ken has a new artist for December, which works well with the current schedule.

Justin has had someone inquire about taking over the Art Head, and it seems like it might be a good fit. Justin feels very positive about this and, starting in the new year, this will probably happen, with more discussion.

Justin wants to ask about granting SL and DJ a year-long membership to compensate for their broken pieces, and give nods to their contributions in bringing events to the club. Ken motions to approve this, with none opposed, motion carries.

Pablo Torres joins at 8:26 PM

Buildings and Grounds: Shaun and Veronica have been working with David to work on updating our lighting and carpet. David has been doing general upkeep.

We had a little weirdness after the movie crew left us, but David already has a plan for that. We can also always talk to these film industry people in the case that there's something that we can't repair ourselves. Maynard also wants us to continue to look at the downstairs bathrooms and make them both a little less creepy—just improve them in general.

We very much need to get quotes about how to fix the slouchy hill, our terracing, and secure the club base.

Laura reminds us of our special folders that are stashed in the poker room, please look at those if you want to help or be caught up on projects.

Web & Media: Ken has a rough draft of a potential new website, after looking through a lot of other press club websites and seeing how things work, he will send that along.

Social: Pablo takes the floor. He's been a member for the last three years and has been in the neighborhood for a while. He wants to talk to us about an idea that he has to help us market and draw in international or out of town members.

The biggest hurdle of this is worrying that we don't have a member to sponsor it. Maynard brings up the fact that we're allowed to do two non-profit/fundraiser events without a sponsor. Pablo wants to know more about the WHPF, and their involvement/our ability to site them as our non profit. Kouri wants to know how this proposal promotes or enriches the Club as a whole. Pablo envisions that we can be an educational hub and help the community, making it accessible and more visible. He also wants to talk about out mobility restricted accessibility, as weird as it is, we might have our hands tied, through our historic status, on being able to actually do this. Will brings up the fact that we have the press on our side, and we can use this to push for moves into our structure to be able to accommodate persons in wheel chairs.

Pablo wants to bring in the UNM Architecture students as a possibility of a donated workforce to help our building.

We talked about the ADA issues that could possibly be involved. But we want to know more, especially where our rules are considered. Once we've all considered the rules and regulations and have a better idea of what the rules are and what's expected, we can move forward on this topic.

Membership: 13 new members, ten renewals, 18 lapsing 287 members, up front last month. If there's weird issues with online thing, its not isolated and Laura will fix it.

Membership stats: 9% journalist. 30% communicator. 39% social. %7 honorary. 2 % service industry. First responder 1%.

Ken motions to approve incoming members. With none opposed, and a second from Adam, motion passes.

Newsletter: Veronica wants to reinstate this and get board members to write for it.

Unfinished Business:

Constitution Amendments: The big things are the addition of first responders and service industry folk as official members. Laura wants to remove the retired membership. Ken wants to make sure that this is still open to retired press members.

Will motions that Section 4 is accepted as written. Seconded by Adam. Motion Passes.

Will motions that Section 5 is adopted as written. Seconded by Kouri. Motion Passes.

Will moves to change Section 7 to retired professional which would encompass retired journalist/communicator. With no nay saying and with Adam seconds motion carries.

Will moves to remove Section 8. With a second by Adam, motions carries.

In Section 9, Laura would like to add that the board has power to have to “reapprove” them once they’ve expired as members or been ejected from the club in other ways.

Courtney makes a motion to approve section 9. With a second from Kouri, and no other discussion, motions passes.

Ken motions to approve section 10. With a second from Adam, and no other discussion, motion passes.

New Business:

General Meeting and Election Committee: General Meeting is on December 15th at 2PM, our last board meeting is at Noon. We have election committee people working.

Adjourn: *Ken Motions to adjourn. Seconded by David, motion passes at 9:37PM*