

Monday April 26 Board Minutes

Present: Donna Benoy, Bob Danielson, Jim Geary, Chet Masztak, Scott Weiss

Meeting was called together at 5:05 by President, Jim Geary.

March financials were discussed. Balance was reported as slightly above 60,000. Increases in Cleaning Services were due to carpet cleaning (380.00). Since these services will be done twice a year, it was recommended that next year's budget incorporate these services. Insurance costs were up due to the purchasing of D&O Insurance (613.00.) Office Equipment and Office Supplies were up due the recent purchase of a new printer and cartridges.

A motion was made that it was not necessary at this time to have two signers on checks. This motion was carried unanimously.

Members present did a walking inspection of the outside of the club to have a better grasp on the amount of work necessary to complete painting the building's exterior. It was noted what an incredible job Don Beecher has performed in grinding out and filling cracks in the wall. The possibility of forming a volunteer group to dig a six inch trench around the club so that dry lock waterproofing can be applied was discussed. Jim will follow through with this suggestion either with volunteers or paid assistance. Jim will also secure at least three bids by the time of the May board meeting.

A motion was made for Don Beecher to remove the large inoperable lights on the east and west side of the building. (Don will also be removing an obsolete gutter.) This motion was carried unanimously.

Bob Danielson provided a report on the purchasing of a new printer and cartridges. Cartridges cost 160.00 each but they are able to print seven thousand pages. Bob will investigate buying less expensive cartridges from other sources. Since replacing the printer there have been no problems. Bob also reported that Spike has suggested replacing the modem (service provider) and having the ability for long distance calls. Since calling some of our members require long distance and since this add on service can be purchased for \$13.00 monthly it was seen as a possible future improvement to our existing system. Bob decided he wanted to study the issue more and talk to Spike again before making a motion.

Donna Benoy and Bob Danielson agreed to work together in creating an addendum to our directory for new members. The addendum will be distributed at the club. Our new directory will be ready in January (John Sterling has once again agreed to do our directory.)

Donna Benoy agreed to chair the Education, Training and Publicity Committee. Donna is going to ask Matie to co-chair and a meeting will be schedule in the near future to discuss general club outreach for new members; beginner class outreach; and enhanced ways to disseminate information to a wider community. It was agreed that the next beginning bridge classes would be in October, with one being offered in the daytime and another one in the evening.

A motion was made that Shige continue to make the boards for thirty dollars weekly for as long as he is able. This motion was carried unanimously.

There has been some confusion on how long a member has to request a director to fix a scoring error. While it is ideal for members to stay after a game and check scores, it is recognized that this is not always feasible. Spike has said the members can request a change of score for a week's duration (until the following week's game commences.) This information will be disseminated to game directors.

The next board meeting will be Monday May 17 following the afternoon game.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50.