



MATLACHA HOOKERS
August Board Meeting Minutes
DATE: August 5, 2024
6:00 @ Salty Girls Island Cafe
10700 Stringfellow Rd., Bokeelia, FL

Call to Order by Linda Bohacek at: 6:00pm

Attendance: Deb Syring, Donna Trusik, Jeanelle Havlin, Tracy Chapple, Darcy Conner, Lorie Tidwell, Linda Bohacek, Carolyn Ryzanych, Anna Van Kirk, Rachel Branch

Absent: Joyce Boyer

Guest: Christy Rau Hooker Herald webmistress

BOARD REPORTS

1. 50/50: August - Museum of the Islands (Pine Island Museum)

Donna- Looking into woman veteran owned spay and neuter organization/ Looking into a possible Hooker social at Museum of the Islands

2. Hooker Business:

- a) Financial Requests: none
- b) New Board Member- Rachel Branch- Secretary
Carolyn made a motion to approve; second by Tracy Chapple. Motion carried
- c) Bylaw review, amendments and past policies
Board policies reviewed and updates incomplete. Will complete next Board meeting and then put on the website with the rest of the Board procedures.
Linda will update the policies amended and /or that were discussed and then add additional policies that have been followed but are not included in present document that have been ongoing.
- d) Review of Roberts Rules- Carolyn and Linda met with the attorney and he asked to be reminded to review the amendments that we sent earlier.
- e) Trademark update- all set/ March 25th 2025 need to renew trademark
- f) Trailer and Storage Shed - Trailer sold for \$4500. Storage units are in progress/ clear bins must be used/ Donna will head organizing storage in due time
- g) Fidelity insurance - all set/ received policy/ in the future all documents will be on google docs and flash drive.
- h) July 30th meeting with attorney, Kevin and Yvonne Werlin, CPA- Carolyn and Linda met with both/ received lots of information
- i) New laptop for secretary- Carolyn made a motion for \$1,200 for new secretary laptop. Donna second the motion; motion carried.

j. Fundraising events with chairs:

- 1) Fishing Derby- Darcy/ all activities are still on/ DJ wanting to create artwork.
- 2) Art Walk River District Alliance - Lorie- Rain and wind affected the day/ 1 water bottle sold/ Need 3 more people for September 6th walk/ Lorie will look into other walks to participate in during season
- 3) Get Flocked - Darcy and Tracy- Signs and flyers are done/ networking is the next step/ may team up with Spots Ice Cream
- 4) Meat Raffle- a great success and turnout/ \$1154 raised/ looking to do another event at Burnt Store Tavern or another location. Spoke about doing quarterly breakfasts at The Moose or VFW/ Doing meat raffles on island off season with local restaurants/ Spoke of needing a member fundraising committee perhaps
- 5) Mango Mania- not recommended to do parking help again/ general consensus: That we no longer will volunteer for parking at Mango Mania for the Hookers
- 6) German American Christmas Market- Donna looking into/ December 14 & 15/ Do we want carolers for this event?
- 7) Mrs Roper Romp Caftan Crawl- Saturday September 14th starting at 3pm at Street Eats/ Moose 4:30-6/ Kickstands (need to contact again)/ finish at Eagles Nest/ 20\$ per person for raffle/ 40\$ for Roper Kit/ Money going to scholarship/ 50/50 at each location/ Confirming with businesses/ Tracy Chapple, Tammey Lynch, Stacey Simms chairing.
- 8) Grant progress
 - a) The Community Foundation Network for good - grants for Event Sponsorships
Will apply after August 22nd Conference
 - b) Cape Royal Community Grant -Donna Oct 1st deadline/ Donna get financial info from Deb to complete grant application.

Vice Madam Carolyn Ryzanych, M/embership

- a) Membership Report: 207 members; new 55
- b) Membership meeting checking in: Tracy and Donna

Secretary, Rachel Branch

- a) Review and approval of general minutes: email vote
- b) Mail- thank you notes read

Treasurer, Deb Syring

- a) Review and approval of financial reports- Yvonne received 2023 financial reports/ Motion made Tracy; second Donna; motion carried/ business CC all set more secure than debit b) Merchandise report: \$2189
- c) Financial suggestions from Yvonne Werlin, CPA given to Deb Syring. We are in compliance with her recommendations. Yvonne will forward some new non-profit financial practice recommendations for us to review in the future.

Chaplain, Anna Van Kirk

- a) Chaplin Report: Card shower to Sarah's family happening now address and instructions on Hooker Herald
- b) Greater Pine Island Alliance- no monthly meetings in the summer/ no outreach
Donna will work with Erin Lambert to give the tarps to GPIA

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES:

1. Community Support

- a) Pine Island Food Pantry- needs to continue to be posted in the Hooker Herald
- b) P.I.E. School wish list/teacher grant info/ PIE School Supply Drive- Linda- School drive was a great success/ received large checks from Larry Lappin of Matlacha Isles for school wish list. Since the checks need to be given before school year, Christy and Linda will meet next week with the Principal and present the checks, and also have a photo opportunity of the big check total amount - \$4,724.62, in the event that the Principal and Larry Lappin will be unavailable at our September meeting, as well.
- c) Social Media Planning Meeting- Linda- August 21st 6pm Salty Girls
- d) Peace Day on Pine Island -Jennifer Bennett/ Asking for merchandise volunteers at
- e) Pine Island United Methodist Church Block Party August 3rd- (Carolyn & Donna) great turnout of vendors
- f) VFW event July 20th Celebration- (Anna) A very successful 100th year -old birthday event for Robert Clexton, standing room only. Presented with gifts. Very emotional and heartfelt experience
- g) FISH school clothing drive- Darcy Clothes bought for 20 kids at Kohl's/ half the budget spent
- h) Adopt a dolphin auction- Chamber of Commerce 4th annual wall sculpture auction October 13th 2024 from 4-7 Tarpon Lodge hotel- Linda/ Will ask artistic hooker members at the general member meeting to volunteer and those people will put there names in a hat and the winner will create the dolphin
- i) Natalie Gazda- long time hooker and volunteer/ Moving to St. John's MooseHaven/ Make a lifetime hooker no dues/ Spoke about making a scholarship in her name perhaps/ gifting Cape Coral fire and pine wall art/ Take a group photo during August meeting and frame for her.

2. Other:

Next Board Meeting: August 26, 2024 6:00 p.m. Location: Salty Girl Island Cafe
Next General Meeting: August 12, 2024 at 5:30 pm Saint James City Civic Association, 3300 Fourth Avenue, St James City, FL 33956
Tracy made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Darcy second the motion; motion carried. Adjourned at 7:58pm.