

SCG SINGLES CLUB BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2015
Palm Center
2:00 to 4:00 PM

Present: Jerry Bing, president, James Popiel, vice president, Roger Tharp, treasurer, Nancy Mossman, secretary, Novelle Ballard, activities director, Charlotte Wilkinson, membership director. Darlene Weistling, ticket sales director, was absent.

President's Report: Jerry Bing

- Reimbursement procedures. Jerry reviewed the rules. Board members must approve of expenditures. The person who expends personal funds for an activity must fill out the reimbursement form, attach receipts and have it approved by the appropriate board member, who will submit it to the treasurer for payment. The treasurer will process the payment, and it will be paid within 2 to 3 weeks through the bank's system. Exceptions are the following: the treasurer will write checks to the caterer and band at social events the night of the event; CAM will send the treasurer an invoice for the bar and security; bingo and poker events are paid out of the cash collected, food and prizes. No member can approach the treasurer with a request for payment without going through the above procedures.
- Jerry received a note from Joan Winthers, a member who bought a turkey for the Thanksgiving event. She did not want to be reimbursed but wanted the credit to cover her membership fee for 2015. Joan is not here in SCG yet, but wants to receive eblasts and calendars before her arrival. After discussion of the fact that since she is a renter and not here yet, she has no CAM number, but that she would not be trying to buy tickets to events since she is not here yet. The board could find no problem with continuing to send her eblasts. James Popiel made a motion to make a one-time exception to the usual reimbursement rules to allow the offset of Joan's expenditure to credit to her 2015 membership dues. Novelle seconded the motion. The motion passed, with the caveat that our club does not plan to repeat this practice.
- Drop-in Fees. In November, the board voted to increase the drop-in fees to \$5. Ray Beckering, the first person to host a drop-in in 2015, felt the

increase in fees would reflect badly on him and he objected. After various discussions with Ray, and his hearing of support from other members, he agreed that the increase in fees would not reflect badly on him, so the \$5 fee is in effect.

Treasurer, Roger Tharp

Roger handed out the January report of activities. It is part of these minutes. Bingo showed a loss of \$30.66; Chinese New Year had a gain of \$199.58; Poker had a gain of \$30.25. The club had income of \$42 from badges, \$3000 from renewal memberships, and \$12 miscellaneous income. General operating expenses were \$1395.30. Net income for the month is \$1857.87.

Vice President, James Popiel

- James directed our attention to the latest issue of Grand Lifestyles where he had placed blubs about singles club activities in the Club Special Events Section. We suggested that in future months, Darlene's name and phone number be included so people know where to buy tickets.
- Continuing in our efforts to increase attendance at our monthly social events, James suggested contacting singles groups in neighboring retirement communities. The point is to defray costs for entertainment, and increase our attendance at the social events that have bands (not regular monthly poker, bocce, golf, pickleball, etc.) James said he would try to make contact with singles groups in neighboring communities.
- Revisiting our issue with Coco's, tips for the waitress have not increased, and Coco's is on the verge of charging us a room fee. The waitress sets up the area for us and cleans it up after we leave. Last Monday, 10-12 people attended and ordered nothing and contributed nothing to the set-up. There were 38 people in attendance and the waitress got \$22 in tips. We have many members who are not paying, and Coco's is ready to charge the club a room fee. The board discussed that this is not fair to those who order and pay a tip. Those who attend must be encouraged to contribute or we will not be welcome. James will write a message for the eblast to initiate an effort to charge a cover for Mondays. Any other restaurant will not welcome us if we continue to fail to cover our costs.

Secretary, Nancy Mossman

Nancy had no new report. The letters to new members mentioned in last month's minutes have not been prepared. Nancy needs to talk to Charlotte and coordinate this effort

Activities, Novelle Ballard

- Novelle reported that activities for February and March are set.
- There was discussion about the necessity of the ticket sellers reporting to Darlene, and then Darlene reporting to Novelle. Novelle is currently not always up-to-date on numbers of people attending.
- There was a discussion of the necessity of having a guideline list for hosts and hostesses of Drop-ins, Events, and House Parties. Novelle said she would search her files. These written instructions would be helpful to hosts and also make clear responsibilities, limits of expectations for reimbursement, and other details. During our discussion, we realized that Cher Chase, who volunteers to be in charge of Drop-ins, may never have been informed of the increase in price. We need to make all instructions clear.

Ticket sales, Darlene Weistling

No report because Darlene was absent.

Membership, Charlotte Wilkinson

- Charlotte reported that the first party at Larry Lincoln's house had 11 new members in attendance. She thought they bonded well and had fun. There will be another party at Larry Lincoln's in the future with additional new members, some from the 4th quarter of 2014.
- Charlotte suggests a new members table at each social event.
- Charlotte says there will be a new complete roster by the end of March. After that, there will be monthly addendums.
- Charlotte said there will be new member orientation meetings at Cimarron in February and March. Jerry suggested that if the room is not going to be used in other months, CAM should be notified that the room is available.
- Charlotte suggested that the application form needs an indication of new member or renewal member. She will update the form.
- Non-renewing members need to be removed from the roster. Jerry offered to help Charlotte with this task. If we can get a list of those who have failed to

renew, board members can take a number of names and call to check on status.

Respectfully submitted
Nancy Mossman, Secretary
February 4, 2015,