

**SUN CITY GRAND SINGLES CLUB  
BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, September 9, 2014**

Present were Andy Melville, president, Jerry Fantuzzi, vice president, Jerry Bing, treasurer, Nancy Mossman, secretary and Karen Kull, ticket sales director. Diane McCauley, activities director and Melanie Betts, membership director, were absent. Barb Swenson, chairperson of the nomination committee, was also in attendance.

Andy Melville called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. in the Phoenix Room of the Palm Center.

I. There was no August meeting, so there were no minutes to approve.

II. President's Report

Andy invited Barb Swenson to present the report of the election committee. Barb said that the committee, after numerous outreach efforts to our membership, has assembled a slate of candidates for 6 of the seven board positions. The only position not yet filled is that of treasurer, and Barb is talking to one of our members who is considering accepting the nomination. Barb had collected the candidate forms from four of the candidates and will obtain the others in the near future. These forms are attached to these minutes.

The board is responsible for making sure all candidates are members in good standing, and it was confirmed that all are. Then the board voted to approve the slate of candidates. The slate is attached to these minutes.

The election committee is responsible for presenting the slate of candidates on September 26, 2014, before the Denim and Diamonds social event. Barb said she will try to get a decision from the potential treasurer nominee before that time.

The election will be take place at the Halloween party on October 24. Some of the nominees are new to the club, and before they take office in January they will have 2 months to shadow their predecessors and learn the job.

III. Vice President's Report

- Jerry F. reported that he will do another article for the Grand Times, most likely featuring Singles Club activities. Nancy asked how the photos were chosen for inclusion in the previous Grand Times article. Karen explained that of all those submitted, very few had the required resolution to meet Grand Times standards. Karen also explained that our volunteer photographer, Bob McNeil, is now also aware of the issue.

IV. Treasurer's Report

- Jerry B presented two reports: the profit and loss summaries of each August event, and a balance sheet showing that our bank balance is \$9131.62.
- Jerry explained that the bank balance is important in making a decision about the ticket price for the December Gala. It is traditional that the club funds subsidize some of the ticket cost for this event. Jerry reported the following costs:

- Sharko's, the caterers, are booked, and the price of each meal is \$37. This price is \$10 higher than last year, but the most reasonable of all the bids received. The price includes tax and tip, as well as linens, flatware, dishes, and wait staff service.
- For \$2 more a person, Sharko's will also provide chair covers. The board voted to include chair covers.
- The band, the Bradford, will cost \$600.
- The bar and security fee paid to CAM will be about \$150.
- Marlene Grounds has offered to do the decorations and will be given a budget of \$200.
- After discussion and calculation, the board estimated that the total cost of the event will be about \$7150. Last year 158 people attended the Gala. This year if about 150 members buy tickets, at \$25 each (only 5 more dollars than last year), the income would be \$3750, and our bank account has more than enough to cover the remaining \$3400.
- Nancy M moved that the member price for the December 14, 2014 Gala should be \$25, and the nonmember price should be \$40 (cost). Jerry F seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Andy will check with CAM on the rules for member funds by the end of the year. CAM has rules about spending membership money on members and not keeping reserves too high. We need to know the specifics so that we spend the funds on the members.

V. Secretary's Report

- Nancy stated concern that when Ira Simmons retires in January from providing so many computer services for the club in, some of those tasks fall in the job description of the secretary, and she said those tasks fell outside of her skill set. Also Karen is leaving office in January, and she and Ira have done so much work with the calendar, the eBlasts, and maintaining the website that they will be missed. Karen explained that Mel Betts has volunteered to take over this responsibility for next year.

VI. Activities Director's Report

- Diane was absent and thus there was no report, other than the December Gala plans presented by Jerry Bing. Jerry and Diane had done a lot of planning before Dianne went out of town.

VII. Ticket Sales Director's Report

- Karen reported the following ticket sales for July: poker, 24; trivia challenge, 24; for August: Hot Summer Night, 36; poker, 29.
- Karen stated that even in the summer, we need at least one Sunday event in order to sell tickets for the following month's events.
- We are a Charter Club, and thus are entitled to rooms rent free most times except Saturday night. A year and a half in advance, we reserve the second Sunday and the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month for social events, three Wednesdays a month for game night, and the third Thursday for poker. We also have rooms for various meetings, but most of the events in these reserved rooms are ticketed, and there needs to be significant planning and lead time to make the tickets available.

VIII. Membership Director's Report.

- Since Mel was absent, there was no membership report.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 7. Currently it is scheduled for the Phoenix Room in the Palm Center from 3-5, but CAM may move us. Andy will let us know.

The meeting on December 2 will be a combined meeting of the old and new board. It will be a dinner meeting, and Andy offered his home for this event. The old board is the planning committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.  
Respectfully submitted, Nancy Mossman, Secretary

Addendum to the minutes: After the meeting, Barb Swenson, chair of the nomination committee informed the board via email that Roger Tharp had volunteered to be the candidate for treasurer. By email, the Board voted to confirm this nomination.