

Isle of Iowa Parrot Head Club

Minutes from the 05/14/2015 Board meeting. (Action items are underlined)

Location: Mason's home

Attending board member: Bart Mason, Dale Schafer, Sue Anderson, Randy Havlik, Gerald Ptacek, Jeff Hoffman.

Absent board members: Steve Robe, Deanna Stegall, Tom Whiting.

Others attending: Deb Ptacek, Dave Anderson.

Meeting started: 6:30 pm – adjourned 9:15 pm.

Sue passed out mail from the club mailbox.

Bart handed out new business cards to board members.

Minutes from April meeting were reviewed.

- Randy noted a typo – should be Humane Shelter rather than Human Shelter.
- Jeff moved to accept / Gerald seconded. Passed.

Treasurers report. None submitted.

- May income - \$1,430.00 (per Bart). Some checks are not yet posted.
- Club received \$580.00 for Phlocking tickets at the birthday party.
- \$300.00 was collected at Sunny Jim's concert. The IOI kicked in another \$300.00 so the total paid to Jim was \$600.00.
- A formal report was tabled for next month.

Membership report. Sue A.

- Dave Becker paid his dues at the birthday party. He will be considered a new member as he had not paid from last year.
- Jim and Laurie's address needs to be corrected in the membership roster.
- We need to have all members check their personal information – especially e-mail and phone numbers. There was discussion on how best to accomplish this as Sue is not comfortable publishing all info to everyone. We will start checking with people at the monthly meetings.
- Sue submitted an application for an IOI booth at the "Rock the Block" party in the Newbo district.
 - o Good for club exposure. She'll keep everyone posted on the response.
 - o Fridays from 4-8 pm (not every Friday).
- We are up to 114 members now in the club.
- We will not have a booth at Farmers Market downtown this year.
- Jeff motioned to accept the report / Randy second – passed.

Social report. Randy H.

- FourthFest parade.
 - o Bart feels this is good exposure for the club. Others agreed that we will do this parade for sure. Randy will create sign-up sheet for the June monthly meeting.
- Randy mentioned all of the items that he posts on the List Serve and via e-mail.
- Bart – the Bamboozlers and Kelly McGuire are on the same night. May divide attendance a bit.
- Compass Rose band plays the same night as our June Monthly meeting. Should we change the meeting date? Consensus was no – leave it alone.

- The July monthly meeting is the same night as the Jim Morris house concert. The Board decided to cancel the July monthly meeting as there is so much happening then anyway.
- The IOI home port at Parlor City is working well – should we extend the reservation through the end of the year? Unanimously agreed to the extension. Sue will book it with Steph. @ P.C.
- Randy brought up a possible IOI club campout. He said Cindy Eck would coordinate it at Bobber's as she plans to be there on consecutive weekends. It was agreed this will not be a club sponsored event. Randy will pass this on to Cindy.
- Dale said that he and Tammy are planning another guest server night at Ramsey's. He will pass on details when the date finalized.
- Randy asked if we want to try another club sponsored picnic. There was discussion that there are so many other things happening; the last couple times attendance was low and it was the same people; it is always a money loser; the same people supply food and cook; very few others offer donations. Motion was made by Dale to forgo one this summer – Sue second. Passed
- Gerald reported on Buffett at the Ballpark night.
 - o 33 are now signed up – few have paid.
 - o Rotary Club is joining us and they plant about 20 people so we have the 50 minimum covered.
 - o Gerald urged all to push attendance to others outside of the club if anyone wants to do so.
- Bart brought up the IOI sponsored house concert series.
 - o Good audience reviews overall on Sunny Jim. Great music.
 - o Jim was disappointed and felt it could've gone better– too many distractions especially when we moved inside.
 - o All agreed there were individuals that were inattentive and too loud – talking with others during the performance. The dog should've been taken out of the performance area completely.
 - o All agreed that prior to future concerts an announcement should be made outlining audience expectations during performances.
 - o Gerald agreed to make an announcement prior to the Brittany Kingery concert at their house. The rest of the board will be expected to help with this at other concert venues going forward.
 - o Bart will contact all performers and ask what their expectations are of the venue and the audience and pass these on the club members.
 - o It was agreed that the Kelly McGuire concert (06/25/2015) will be held at the Fairfax Legion.
 - o Bart will contact Jim and Laurie about hosting the Jim Morris concert. They expressed interest in doing that show at their home.
 - o It was decided that the club needs to purchase a new microphone stand and amplifier. Randy offered the use of his, but it was agreed that the club should have its own. Randy and Gerald will look into what's available and costs.
- Bart reminded everyone that Phlocking tickets purchased thru the May meeting are eligible for the drawing for the overnight stay at the Marriott.

- The next Phlocking committee meeting will be Tuesday June 9th at the Big Grove brewery in Solon.
 - o Bart asked for new sponsorship ideas at the next meeting. Come with company names, addresses, contact names and phone numbers.
 - o Dave told Bart that he still needs the invite letter for Parlor City.
 - o All money made at the Island Phlocking Fever will be split equally between our three named charities – Honor Flight, Team Breast Friends and HACAP operation Backpack. This includes money made from the 50/50 ticket sales.
 - o Ideas were floated for promotional items for the Phlocking;
 - Matted and signed J.B. album. We can sell tickets for \$10.00 each. Per Gerald, matting is very expensive, we may need to look at other options. Gerald and Jeff will keep an eye out for albums and other items.
 - It was agreed that we can put the items out on the web and offer advanced ticket sales (like the guitar last year).
- Entertainment for the Phlocking.
 - o Gerald confirmed the Blues Brothers have us booked.
 - o Gerald said he had no response from Tall Paul and Crawdaddy yet.
 - o Bart contacted Howie & Mike Miller. They are looking at options and will get back with him.
 - o It was decided that we would not try to contact Jake (Boat Drunks) as a solo.
 - o More on this will be discussed at the Phlocking Committee meeting.
 - o Bart mentioned that we need to contact the upcoming performers – house concerts as well as those coming for the Phlocking – for autographed items. Nobody volunteered to take on that project. Will talk more about it later.
- Silent Auction for the Phlocking.
 - o Sue will send out e-mail and club site post launching the donation collection effort. She will again highlight items that do not have to be used locally. We will accept all local gift cards and probably use them to buy things needed for the auction.
 - o Tina is working on the Chicago Bears autographed ball and other items.
- Sue reported that the IOI web site has now received 596 likes.
- Bart said that totals for the Dubuque Phlocking bus trip are not in yet. He thinks we're close to a break-even point. He suggested we eliminate one stop next year to allow more time at the places we do stop. The majority supported dropping Buddy's to allow more time at Scooter's Dagwood's.
- Gerald brought up an idea for a winery / brewery bus trip in the fall. He also suggested taking a bus to the Iowa/Illinois tug-of-war in LeClair, WI. Maybe we could combine the tug-of-war trip with stops at wineries / breweries on the way up and back. Gerald will look at planning a route & times. Bart will get a rough quote from the bus company. Bart guessed around \$50.00 per person to make this work.

- Bart thought the numbers attending the birthday party were down. Mostly good comments on The Bamboozlers. Most people liked the music selections and their energy. A couple people thought they were too loud.
- The band thought the acoustics in the Legion Hall were good and they all enjoyed themselves at the event.
- Dave mentioned he was having difficulties finding a T-shirt printer for the Phlocking shirts. Most only do 2 or 4 colors max. He asked for opinions on a transfer type printing as Cotton Gallery offered to do that to get all of our colors on the shirt. Nobody liked transfers so Dave will try to get a sample from Cotton Gallery and keep looking for other suppliers. Gerald mentioned it was getting late to get shirts done and maybe we should forget it for this year. Dave mentioned that we only had 11 people sign up for shirts at the birthday party, but there was no sample there to promote them either.

All made a motion to adjourn – all seconded. We went home!

Cheers,

Dave Anderson – SMT (Substitute Minutes Taker.)