# ISLE OF IOWA PARROT HEAD CLUB 10/20/09 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Present:

Board Members
Mike Sion
Keith Wright
Deanna Jackman-Steggall
Steve Robe
Karen Mahannah

Members-At-Large Doris Olson General Membership Linda Barger

Absent:

Kaye Moeller Laurie Sexton Jim Roman

# **Minutes of Last Meeting**

No Minutes were taken at the September 2009 Board meeting.

Nov Newsletter Deadline: Thursday, Oct 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Newsletter articles should be sent in an e-mail if possible to Sandy Young. Any article NOT received by this date will not be in the newsletter!

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Balance in the account as of October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009, is \$5,050.05. Year-To-Date as of October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009: Total income of \$1,537.47, total expenses of \$1,500.98, for a total income to expenses of \$36.49. The ATM card is be the responsibility of the Treasurer with the President and Vice President also knowing the pin code. All Treasurers Report were approved. The Board agreed that we should have a letter in place that lets the charity of choice know what the Isle of Iowa expects of them so that the club and the charity are both working on the same goals!

### **Merchandise Report**

Janey Wall approached Mike and Keith at the meeting inquiring why she was not being utilized for the purchase of new club merchandise. The Board decided to talk to her about the price of Beads, medallions, Frisbees, Men's t-shirts, Women's t-shirts and Men's Polo shirts for now. Deanna would like to get rid of the mini mart as it is a lot of work on top of the other work she is doing, it was suggested that we ask Linda & Terry Barger to take it over. Their responsibilities would include: Merchandise Inventory, Storage, Setting up a table at events and making sure the mini mart was at the meetings. If they cannot attend they will find someone to bring the merchandise or call the Board so the Board can make arraignments to get it. It will be the responsibility of the Board to purchase new items for the mini mart.

Mike – Will look into new items for the mini mart with Janey.

#### **Membership Report**

We have 150 members at this time. Mike brought it to the attention of the Board that the club should make the Cedar Island Band Honorary members of the club because for the great discounts they give us for playing events. The Board agreed. Karen redid the tri-fold for the club, it looks great. The membership CD has been put on hold for the time being. Jim & Laurie are the winners for designing the name badges. They will get \$100 donated in their name to their favorite legitimate charity, a free drink at the next Monthly Meeting they attend and a family membership for a year. We have had complaints about the name badges being poorly made. The laminate is peeling off and the badges are ripping. There will be a \$5.00 fee for someone to replace a lost badge.

Deanna – Will write an article for the newsletter letting people know to contact Charlotte..

Karen – Will send information on Anilise Kruse.

Keith – Will get a count of unpaid members.

#### **Raffle-Monthly Meeting Donations**

Oct. – Dec. – Linn County Veterans Affair Jan. – March – Ronald McDonald House April – June – Free Medical Clinic

### **Raffle Committee**

The Raffle Committee consists of Amy Beenblossom, Mike Sion and Deanna Steggall. The Board has approved \$300.00 to purchase items to build the inventory up. Comments were made at the October Monthly Meeting that the members liked the raffles and the little give-a-ways. Mike – Will write an email to the club asking for raffle donations, nice stuff not garage sale items.

#### **Charities/Events**

Island Fever Phlocking 2010 – Waypoint Halloween 2009 – Camp Courageous Parrot Fest 2010 – Cedar Rapids Humane Society Chili Challenge 2010 – Free Medical Clinic

#### **One Particular Harbor**

Nov. will be held at Cedar River Landing

## **Monthly Meetings**

Oct Meeting -- DC Riverwalk

We will be changing the format of our monthly meeting and the business portion of the meeting will be back at 7:00pm, lasting no more than 30 minutes. We would like to have DC Riverwalk as our Home Port for Monthly Meetings. It has come to the attention of the board that the club on a whole has not been doing a very good job tipping the wait staff; we need to address this with the club before an 18% gratuity is added to everyone's bill.

Keith – Will talk to DC Riverwalk about them being our Homeport. He will also ask if we could put a banner up in the back room and have a trophy case built.

Deanna – Will write an article about tipping and if we do not get better DC Riverwalk may implement an 18% gratuity on everyone's bill.

### **Island Fever Phlocking 2010**

The date is Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, at 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. LIVE! The band will be the Cedar Island Band. We will have the pre-party at the Longbranch with a block of rooms at a Parrot Head rate. We will have a shuttle to1st Ave LIVE from the Longbranch. We discussed an Online Auction to be held before the event, the winning bidder would receive a tiki party for 6 at 1<sup>st</sup> Ave LIVE the night of Island Fever Phlocking, more information will be available later.

### Social Director/ Member at Large

The Board has decided that we will fill the positions that Jim and Laurie have at this time. According to the by-laws the president can nominate people to fill these positions and the Board will vote on the nominations. (Pg. 7 Replacement of BOD Members)

Mike – Will talk with Laurie and Jim.

### **Club Concerns**

Some members have expressed their concern over the fact that no one took minutes at the Sept. Meeting when Deanna was unable to attend. The Board agreed that this should not happen in the future and someone will fill in if Deanna is unable to make the meeting. Another concern that was brought to the attention of the Board is the mentoring program Mike discussed at the Monthly Meeting. Some members felt that we have Members at Large that should fill these responsibilities and not to have club members fill in. The Board agreed that by filling the 2 vacant positions on the board would help alleviate any gaps there are and therefore the need for mentors is not a concern at this time.

#### **Halloween Party**

The committee has been very successful. As long as we have enough volunteers to decorate we should be in good standings for the night. Mike got an Ant, Spider and Bird for the drawing. He is also working on a night stay at Riverside Casino with a meal package. Steve and Sandy have ordered the table top items, candy and some decorations. Linda has agreed to take the mug shot to the TV station for us. Karen has some bigger decorations the club can use. The Board set a budget at \$350.00.

Keith – Will work is media connections.

### **Homecoming Parade**

GREAT EVENT! The Board agreed to do this event again!

#### Chili Challenge

The committee has begun meeting and request their budget of \$300.00. The Board approved the budget and ask that they keep receipts to turn in. Keith asked if the committee could change the charity for the Isle of Iowa for this event to the Free Medical Clinic. The Board gave this decision to the committee to decide.

### Adopt a family

The Board agreed to adopt 2 families again.

Deanna – Will call HACAP on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of Nov. and get our families.

#### **Holiday Parade**

The club will participate in the Parade Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. The theme is Dashing through Downtown. After the Halloween Party is done we will begin working on this event. Steve – Will get us registered.

#### **Younkers Day**

The Isle of Iowa will sell coupon booklets on Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Younkers. The club gets to keep the \$5.00 for the booklet.

Mike – Will contact those that signed up to help and let them know the time they are scheduled to sell coupons.

### **Iowa City Crisis Center**

A check presentation will be held Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. Steve Robe will be there to represent the board. He will ask Bart and Michelle Mason if they would like to attend with him. Steve – Will see about having a picture taken of the check presentation.

## **Media Position**

The Board discussed the fact that we cannot have more than one person contacting media personnel because it causes confusion. Keith is the media person and all correspondence should be dealt with him. If Keith is unable to make the correspondence he will let the Board know so that someone else can take care of the situation. We want to make sure that we are not double contacting people in the media and therefore causing them any confusion on who in the club they should contact.

#### Gus

The Board has discussed trying to increase membership in Johnson County. We would like to old one of our Monthly Meetings down near North Liberty at a place called Gus. This is the place the club met after the Homecoming Parade for dinner and drinks. The Board agreed this was a good idea but would table it until the beginning of the year.

### **Future Board Meetings**

All future board meetings will be held at the Longbranch in the Gold Zone area. Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m. No Board Meeting in December

Respectfully Submitted: 10/26/2009 Deanna Jackman-Steggall Secretary IIPHC