

9-24-09 TCC Board Meeting Minutes

7:13 Call to Order, Review Agenda (we will not allow excessive dialogue by persons who are not on the Board - allowing outside commentary during the Board meeting is at the discretion of the chairperson)

Review Prior Meeting Minutes. Julie moves to approve, Adrian 2nd, unanimous 2 abstentions

President's Report (Community Garden, County Zoning Status: need to draft letter and get to County offices to let them know formally that membership has voted, determine next steps.

Clark Lawsuit: Julie met with attorney. At this time, no other information other than the official public record information may be shared with the public. Court date January 14, 2010 is next planned court date. Persons with specific information related to the case are being asked to speak confidentially with Julie.

*Anastasia to post additional larger signs, "Kitchen access only by permission of Board", "No Improper Shoes".

Topanga Days video status. Board to review video, make list of bands on tape. Bands seeking their footage. Inventory assessment to be made, people linked to project brought on board. Review of votes made about video prior to the Board. List of tapes, hours of footage, contracts with videographers and email records to be prepared for next meeting.

Topanga Youth Services/Sports Program: heat is overwhelming. Tried to use misting system; too slippery. Would like to see steps towards air-conditioning. Purchasing Lights for the House - need to add clause in contract that renters are not to use lights without deposit for repair ; and if they are taken down (i.e. for nutcracker) then they must be put back up.

TYS insurance for "unmet worker's comp premiums" is problem: either put additional people (Joe and Anastasia) on policy, or find another carrier. TYS treasurer is investigating alternate carrier, Andrea to coordinate.

Next show Oct. 17-18.

TYS group to help with senior dinner.

Sports program: Soccer has begun, but flag football had weak registration. Boys Club is promoting flag football at elementary school for first time. Current total 110 soccer players. Program has seen good response. Survey: light response. Buzz is about t-ball, softball - considering "spring season". Best time is Sunday afternoon in fall due to early darkness.

Swap Meet: Jewels submitted budget.

Mark moves to approve budget as submitted, second by Lisa. Friendly amendment to cut the prize money and replace with TCC Merchandise prizes, accepted. Jaime or Jewels to create basic poster, not accepted. Discussion of how to cut back advertising, food costs - suggestions offered. Motion passes, 3 ayes, 1 nay, 2 abstentions.

Julie to supervise poster, coordinate with Jewels.

House Manager Report: Musician's Picnic - next day clean-up may be a conflict with Co-op Preschool. Need to look at contract for exact details of what has been committed. Would be best to not relocate co-op. Concerns are cleaning outside after dark.

AMP Musicians Picnic: Press release coming soon: big bro + holding, country joe+ fish, bob timmons tribute w slash, Peter DiStefano, Atrium, more.

Julie, Adrian and Anastasia to meet with Theatricum management about sound interference issues.

Fundraising series status and dates: ready to start when 60th b-day celebration date is determined, or will start in November if b-day is delayed.

Larry Wines fundraiser: rate of \$225 quoted. Wildworks benefit - Molly Hogan - Christmas Story play reading. Suggested rate of \$150, including \$75 for Joe to clean which will be refunded if he does not need to work.

Topanga Thymes review.

* Jaime moves to allow the club to produce Topanga Thymes newsletters that may vary from the specifications set forth by Jan Moore on an as needed basis; second by Julie, unanimous approval.

* Jaime and Marty to resolve HTML email issue.

Community House Advisory Committee: Is there a way to generate income from a parking charge for low-cost events for non-profit groups like the symphony. Suggestion to split the responsibility and income with that group or other community group like Boy Scouts or TYS.

Ballfield: soccer use discussed, concern about last Board meeting motion and how to enforce. Hugo (gymnastics teacher) has offered to act as intermediary. Julie spoke of the need to work together with the community, and the need to fence the field off from non-members. Adrian suggests enlisting the

players to generate the adult program, including waiver/agreement and fee, using children's program as example. Self-governing, Hugo could be liaison. Would require periodic monitoring by TCC personnel.

Group to include Adrian, Hugo, Alberto, Paul, Liam, Anastasia; Dahi and Felix also suggested; Meeting to be at sundown next Thursday after the game, Hugo to announce to players on Tuesday. Adrian will create handout.

Brush clearing status: David Troy reported that he is working with Ken to finish the clearing as necessary, but is leaving for a couple of weeks and can finish the balance when he returns. One section remains that may need to be cleared.

* Jane and Anastasia to get bids for fencing.

Treasurers report: Progress on creating TCC trust and ways to protect the Club and the Mumby inheritance.

Discussion determined to put \$25,000 in a 3 month CD; \$25,000 in a 6 month CD; and \$150,000 in a 12-month CD. Marty suggests discussion with a CPA (rather than a wealth manager, who may have a personal interest).

Topanga Nights final P + L results discussed, along with ways to improve the event for the future.

Programs & Events - Bday Fundraiser date. Celebrating club's anniversary this year, building's anniversary next year. Date set November 22nd.

Bylaws committee: Lee has not been available to provide the latest draft.

* Jane, Adrian to contact Lee.

* Anastasia to contact Theatricum and request meeting with principals about event coordination.

Halloween event still pending, if interest persists.

Suggestion to purchase a Keg-o-lator to keep refrigerated kegs fresh and usable.

Correspondence: no news to report.

Membership Report: Lisa apologized for missing the last Topanga Nights. Expects to hear back from NAMM next week regarding whether they will accept the second half of the grant application.

Pledge drive: membership template in Topanga Thymes, announce election.

Community House Improvement Committee: Soliciting air conditioning, fans, ceiling vent and/or swamp cooler bids. Seeking fence bids. Seeking dance floor. Also suggesting keg-o-lator.

Preparing yoga program, would be 6-8 AM. Members could purchase block of admissions or monthly pass.

Nominating committee presented list of candidates: Pres, Adrian Wright; VP1, Ken Widen; Jesse Gordon VP2?; VP3 Janie Shuman; Corresponding Sec'y Liam; Recording Sec'y Jaime' T-days co-chair Brooks Ellis; CHIC co-chair Tom Mitchell; CHAC David Thompson. Would like to start "seniors" group committee with David Troy. Mark Nygard as facilities person. Staff including Anastasia, Muriel, and recommended new assistant for T-Days bookkeeping (TYS Bookkeeper suggested).

Adrian thanked the group for working together so well and supporting the club.

11:30 Public Meeting Adjourned