

10-14-10 TCC General Meeting

Julie Levine explained that this special meeting will begin with the Elections Committee presentation.

- Julie moved to adjourn the general meeting and move immediately to the election committee presentation. Second by Ken. Unanimous with 3 abstentions.

It was decided that the minutes from the September 2010 General Meeting would be posted online, and would be approved at a subsequent meeting subject to any amendments submitted by members present at that meeting.

Mark Henley and Joe Pileggi spoke for the Elections Committee.

Joe Pileggi described the Board positions and responsibilities.

Mark Henley explained the general duties described in the bylaws for the board members.

President: Mark Nygard, Adrian Wright

1st VP Programs: Brooks Ellis

2nd VP Fundraising: Jayni Shuman, Monica Sheehan

3rd VP Membership: Arthur Nissman, Amit Gilad

Treasurer: Andrea Makshanoff

Recording: Jaime Scher

Corresponding Secretary: Stephanie Lallouz, Paul Kenny

Each candidate was given the opportunity to speak to the assembly.

President:

Mark Nygard pledged to be available for club matters and provide good leadership. Promised to be fair to all groups using the house. Believes that issues should be discussed and acted upon vis-à-vis the processes outlined in the Bylaws.

Adrian Wright: Believes that there are some items that she would like to get accomplished while still in office, would like to see a more gradual transition to new leadership. Cited accomplishments during last few years serving on the Board.

1st VP:

Brooks Ellis: Passionate about joining the team after the last three years of helping around the house. Wants to bring the kids back in and build on the existing community programs.

- Deadline for Bios to go in the Messenger is October 25. Send to editor@topangamesessenger.com

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2nd VP:

Jayni Shuman: Enjoyed her service so far and what she's learned and looks forward to learning more next year.

Monica Sheehan: Has been a volunteer for five years, and sees things that could be improved. Feels that corporate grants and funding is available, for things like sound improvement and building repairs. Wants to increase funding for TYS program and bring the teens into positive environment.

3rd VP:

Arthur Nissman: Long time Topanga resident with plenty of sweat equity in protecting the canyon from development, with the TCC running Topanga Days and serving on CHAC. Semi-retired but has built the skills particular to this position over his career: retention of current members and enrollment of new members. Feels enrollment is key to success with changing demographics of the community, and that he has the marketing skills to "fill spots" with broad base of new members.

Amit Gilad: Feels that this position would fit his skillset well. Has ideas for premiums and events that would bring members, and the desire for the community to become members.

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Corresponding Secretary: Stephanie Lallouz has been on and off the board since 2001 and headed CHAC for two years. Has strong database of contacts and is good at "getting the word out". Wants to work as a team with the membership VP and has strong outreach.

Paul Kenny was not present at the meeting.

Membership meeting at Froggy's Nov. 7th.

* Drug Program meetings through the end of the year will be held on the third Thursday of each month at 8:30 PM, starting October 21, 2010.

Halloween Party October 30.

Election November 11.

Amit spoke about a Planet Topanga event on Sat Nov. 27th post-Thanksgiving. Music event, probably indoors. Would like \$1000 for printing, promotion, security. Andrea mentioned that Planet Topanga events have an outline with \$500 seed-money. Amit felt that there may be costs beyond the \$500.

A straw vote was taken that showed the majority in attendance were interested in supporting the event.

* Andrea has the P + L sheets for each month of 2010 available for review.

Adrian reviewed the election qualifications: To vote, someone must be a paid member that has attended one prior meeting plus the election meeting. If the person was a paid member last year but let the dues lapse this year, they can bring their membership current by paying the dues at the election meeting. If they were not a paid member last year, they must pay and join at or before the first of the two meetings.

Mark moves to adjourn the meeting, second by Jayni. Unanimous.