

Topanga Community Club  
General Membership Mtg. Minutes 1/13/11

Passing of the baton from 2010 President Adrian Wright to 2011 President Mark Nygard.

Mark presents basic outline for new year:

- Timeliness, starting/ending mtg on time, arrive at 7pm, mtg to start NO LATER than 7:15pm
- not too long for each speaker
- nip in the budget, no more dinners, only snacks...

Paul Parzik discussed the Sports Program: all on track, needs new board roster

Blues Fest: Mark has contacted County Representatives Susan Nissman, Ben Saltzman about land use. Mr. Saltzman requested copy of most recent proposal for review. Mark has contacted. Parking was first concern they mentioned. Mark hopes that the Blues Fest organizers understand the situation and that his hands are tied regarding the county.

Memorial Jan 29<sup>th</sup> for Fleet who recently passed away; long-time member and contributor to the House. Rental rate to depend on size and impact on house.

Tentative memorial for Richie Hayward on Feb 5<sup>th</sup>, expect a very large turnout. Joe expects \$200 cleaning charge.

Dina Square Dance Proposal: Rental as a Class: \$35 per hour class; or as a Planet Topanga Fundraiser. Andrea suggests Valentine's Day for the event.

Proposal that any large event requires parking coordinator to ensure safe parking.

Problem with last meeting held at Rocco's too noisy, unruly.

\* Stephanie Lallouz moves that the last meeting be not counted as an official TCC meeting. Second by Jayni Shuman. Discussion: there was a quorum; there was difficulty due to noise, there was an interruption. Does the motion mean that all the business of the meeting is discounted?

\* Stephanie amends the motion to reannounce the motions of the previous meeting to allow the membership present today to see if they should be upheld. Second by Mark Henley.  
Motion passed.

\* First motion - \$300 for Julie Reynolds PASSED again UNANIMOUSLY at this meeting.

\* Second Motion: Sound system already been rented and returned, so no vote necessary.

Bylaw amendments to be discussed later this meeting.

TYS report: programs to continue as approved. Program dates for TYS performance discussed.

#### OTHER MOTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

\* Karen made a motion to approve her film program for TYS, seconded by Jayni. Passed.

\* Karen moved that TYS Spring Review would be held in June, second by Jayni. Passed.

\* Karen moves for TYS talent show in 11-12-2011, second by Jayni Passed.

Seniors report: Canyon Sages seeking place to do things like book club, Tai Chi, etc. All are day events. Stas reports that Sages events have all been accommodated as far as possible.

Clarification that the exact event is the Pass the Parm that has not been scheduled. Dates and events were discussed. Communication problems were discussed and solution (one point person from Sages to schedule with House manager).

Sages request that President or membership person come to next Sages meeting to encourage membership –

Goal of minimum 60% membership of all groups meeting here.

- Jane moves that groups that use the Community House should be required to have membership. Second by Andrea. Discussion: Tough to enforce, touchy with anon groups. What constitutes a regular use group: once a month or more. Adrian proposes friendly amendment to make it a suggestion rather than a mandate, and to offer a sliding scale. Brooks proposes a suggestion for the group to donate rather than look for individual memberships. Tom proposes a group rate for the group itself to be a “member”. While the motion was tabled, the discussion brought up many ways to increase membership. In cluding pass the hat and mail-order cards. Stephanie suggested a friendly amendment that the membership coordinator be encouraged to consider how best to act upon the ideas presented during this discussion. Motion tabled until Board meeting.

Jane moves that Senior family rate of \$35 be approved. As a bylaw amendment, this must be presented in writing for discussion at the next meeting.

Bylaws: Julie still will lead the team to finish the project. Next bylaws meeting to be announced.

Treasurer's report: P + L draft passed around.

Programs + Events: Mark to coordinate with Jaime re Blues Fest meeting.

\* Academy Awards Party – Adrian Moves that the TCC host the second annual Academy Awards party, second by Stephanie. Adrian volunteers to coordinate.

\* Reggae 'pon the Mountain 2011: Brooks moves to put on the event Monday July 4. thereabouts as possible. (NOTE: Event scheduled 7-9-11 due to conflicts with Theatricum). Second by Jaime. 11AM to 8PM. Would like to extend it to two-day event in future when concern about permits is alleviated. Chief concern is clean-up.

\* CHIC-CHAC. Chairs reconfirmed – Jane + Tom CHIC, Shawn Rhodes and Dave Thompson CHAC.

Fundraiser: Stas met up with a local celebrity about presenting and promoting a new documentary movie here in Topanga.

\* Steph to coordinate contact.

\* Andrea moved that outgoing 2010 TCC Board Members (Membership VP Julie Levine, President Adrian Wright, and Second VP Ken Widen) be removed from, and President Mark Nygard be added, as signatory to Wells Fargo bank accounts ending in 3553, 8099, 7448, and 3561. Second by Stephanie. Unanimous.

Meeting Adjourned, 9:06 PM