

CORONADO/MAINLAND SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB

Minutes of Executive Meeting and General Meeting

Saturday, January 7, 2017

President Al Best called the Executive Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. All Board members were present. The first order of business was for the Board to vote on whether or not to approve the nomination of Bill Boyes for Lifetime Membership. Marty Bystrom asked for an explanation of the qualifications for such a nomination. Arden McConnell read the rules governing Lifetime Members and it was decided that Bill Boyes did fill all the qualifications for such an honor. A vote was taken and all but one member voted to approve. After some discussion, it was announced that the notice of intent to grant Lifetime Membership to Bill Boyes must be displayed in the cue house for two or three weeks before a formal vote can be held. Al Best stated that the decision will be revisited again at the next meeting in February when a vote will be taken.

Al Best mentioned that he had visited the Parks and Recreation office recently to inquire about some of the work that is scheduled to be done to the courts. Nancy agreed that this would be possible but there was no decision on when the work would be accomplished because they are dealing with FEMA and other agencies with lots of work to be done as a result of Matthew. Al said that we need to have a shirt for the Mayor when the Mayor's Tournament takes place. He asked if they would be willing to hang one of the club's shirts in the office if we supplied it.

Johnnie Connor said that she is taking orders for more shirts in cotton because some people did not like the material in the first order.

Dennis Buelk stated that he is willing to run the Singles/Mingles games if enough people are interested. He will hold the games on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, starting with January 24th. The fee for Singles/Mingles is \$2. Al Best mentioned that we need to do something to honor Dennis Buelk for all the work he does for the club, including lessons and Singles/Mingles.

Betty Buccini announced that the balance in the treasury is xxxxx which includes the check that Wayne Lockwood donated for the purchase of new disks. Al Best mentioned that he had talked to Wayne about the designation of the money for disks, and Wayne agreed that he would not object to the money being used for any other expense the club felt was more important. Much discussion followed regarding the costs of new disks vs. resurfacing the old ones. As more information needs to be gathered, the decision on disks was postponed for the present.

Johnnie Connor asked if we should be planning a Memorial Tournament for the members of the club who have died since the last one was held. Looking at old minutes it was determined that the last one was held in 2014. A discussion ensued about the names of those members who would be memorialized this year. The tournament was run much like the Singles/Mingles format. Someone will have to volunteer to handle this tournament.

Al Best stated that new brooms are needed ASAP. He found a source on the internet which showed horsehair brooms for \$51 each and others for 3/\$98 which were a softer bristle broom which seemed to be able to handle the needs of the club. Al decided he would order one of the horsehair brooms and three of the others for a total expenditure of about \$150. Arden said that we might find a janitorial service locally that would supply them and he offered to look into that possibility. We also need brushes and dustpans.

There was much discussion about the condition of the disks and what is being done about them. Bonnie has been working on the disks trying to put together sets of eight. Work will continue on this project. Al Best suggested that maybe a group could meet on Tuesday before the cleanup work to see what needs to be done. It seemed that prices of new disks varied quite a bit from one supplier to another.

Betty Buccini asked how much money we are giving for the January 12th tournament. We have a sponsorship from Amore's and we still have \$\$\$ carried over from the last tournament. So, we have a good amount, unless you want to save some of it and use it for the Memorial Tournament. Next discussion was for the preparation for the Mardi Gras parade and the date of the parade. Tom Grubb is in charge of the parade again this year. Debbie Evans stated

that the parade must be held on February 28th, because it is always the night before Ash Wednesday. Al Best said that the City has nothing to do with the parade. It is sponsored by the local bars.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55

REGULAR MEETING

Al Best asked for a moment of silence for the victims of yesterday's mass shooting in Fort Lauderdale, which was followed by the pledge of allegiance. The meeting was called to order at 11:05. The minutes of the last meeting were not read. First topic was the 80th Anniversary and Al Best asked for any suggestions about the progress of the preparations. The date was Saturday, March 4, 2017. He asked for volunteers to work on the Committee and Arlene, Joan, Connie, Candy and Bill Boyes did so. Zak Wonson had volunteered to be in charge of the preparations. Al Best said it had been suggested that we have hot dogs and maybe courts set up like Fun Day, but it is up to Zak and his team to decide on the agenda. Zak said the celebration is for the town, not that we are celebrating ourselves. The club has \$3,800 so we do have some money to spend on this anniversary celebration. Al said that the club house will be open so that the locals can see some of the history of the club and understand what the club is all about, possibly helping to recruit new members.

Mayor's Tournament coming up in February and we have the Northern District Tournament coming up on Tuesday, January 12th at 9:00 a.m. We need help getting the courts ready for that. We also have a Masters Tournament coming up in March on the 23rd and 24th, and we need help for that also. Stan Williamson said that the banquet for that tournament will be held again at Quail Hollow. All pushers and helpers are welcome to the banquet.

Al Best mentioned that he had been in contact with Wayne Lockwood and he was in good spirits. With Wayne's permission, Bonnie will put Wayne's address and phone number on the web site in case anyone wants to get in touch with him.

Al Best mentioned the fact that the club is looking into purchasing new brooms and brushes which are sorely needed. A Memorial Tournament is planned for those members who have died since the last one was held in 2014. No date has been set. The subject of shirts was next addressed. Johnnie Connor is taking orders for the new shirts that will be cotton instead of the material offered before. The color will be the same grey as before. Pay in advance. A minimum of 36 shirts will be needed before the order can be placed. The cost of the cotton shirts is \$13.

Mardi Gras Parade is coming up on February 28th. Tom Grubb will again organize it. Some kind of treats will be supplied in the club house at the end of the parade. Dennis Buelk offered to run the Mayor's Tournament on February 7th. The club will supply refreshments after the tournament, maybe subs instead of hot dogs this year. Also, cookies or snacks. The tournament is going to be five games of 12 frames and will be concluded before lunch. The fee will be \$2. The club has some extra money that can be used as prize money for the tournament.

Dennis Buelk said he will again run the Singles/Mingles play the first and fourth Tuesday of each month, starting on January 24th. The games start at 9:00 a.m, bring a lunch, and are usually over by about 2:30 and the fee is \$2.

There was some discussion about getting some younger people involved in the club. One idea was a Bar v. Bar tournament or a Newbie tournament maybe during the summer when some of the members are gone. Arlene mentioned that when new members draw for afternoon play and four new people end up on the same court, it would be wise for some older members to offer to switch courts to help them out. Marty said that some of the newer members want to play at around 4:00 p.m. and then go to dinner. They are not interested in playing in our daily games. Al said that Bonnie will explain this on the website. Maybe something in late April would be a good idea.

Joan Best reported on the upcoming annual banquet, which is planned for March 11th. She gave information about three different possible venues that have submitted menus for our consideration. The menus and prices for the three venues is posted on the website for voting purposes. The names are Amore's, Tino's and Pauline's Catering. Prices ranged from \$20 to \$25 per person. Decisions must be made before the February meeting.

Bill Boyes announced that the SPARKS program has said that they will not be participating in the shuffling games this year. If things change, Bill said he will contact those who have helped him in the past and set it up.

Dennis Buelk said that when he teaches new people how to shuffle, he always teaches them about Tampa's and St. Pete's. Then when they come up here to play, nobody is doing it that way. Al Best said that it should be a rule, two for speed and then a four set up. Do it on the first two games, but not on the third.

Al mentioned a couple things of interest to the members. Cribbage is held at the club house on Monday evening, Euchre on Wednesday and Mahjong on Thursday which will be held in the other room because of the tournament this week. We need help setting up on Thursday for the tournament. On Fun Day, Jan 21st, we'll be doing the big dogs again. Pot Luck on Jan. 20th. Two board members are needed to be replaced this year as their term is up. Next year we have many members who are up for replacement. Marguerite said that she is looking for \$100 to purchase things for the kitchen.

Al Bessette said there is an Intercity meeting this week to make the final plans for the final tournament this year at Deland on March 6th. At that meeting folks are supposed to have their \$20 per team.

Al asked if there is any cost to play in the scoring competition. He was told that years ago, it was voted that no prizes would be awarded in that event.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Harlow