

Soledad Club General Membership Meeting
May 27, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Lynne Batchelor at 9:05 a.m.

Board Members Present: Lynne Batchelor, Phil Nerhood, Monica Dlugos, Juliann Byrne, Sanford Shane, Linda Shohet and Sandy Howland. Patti Gorman was absent. Thirteen members were present. The sign in sheet is attached for the record. The minutes of the Board Meeting on March 24, 2015 were approved with two minor changes (amount donated to CCSA and spelling change to Waxie).

President's Report:

Lynne Batchelor

- Lease renewal update – Lynne read a letter from Charmaine stating that the property was in good condition (attached for the record). Charmaine and Lynne attended a meeting of the planning facilities meeting for the city. Our lease was approved for going to the City Council for final approval in June. Charmaine did note that some of the asphalt in the parking lot does need some repair but did not include that in the letter. Lynne will contact some companies for bids to present at the next meeting.
- Dorrine Simmering has volunteered to fill the board vacancy of the 2nd Vice-President position. Monica made a motion to approve this appointment and the board unanimously approved her to this position.
- There have been no volunteers for the 1st Vice-President position – currently the President is handling any building issues. Linda Shohet suggested that we might want to consider offering a stipend for the 1st Vice-President position with their commitment to move into the President position.
- Lynne purchased 10 keys to the building. Juliann Byrne, Dorrine Simmering and Renee Hirsh have been issued new keys. Replacement keys, as listed in contracts are \$50.00. Replacement keys for board members are \$20.00.
- All contracts have been updated for the period from March 1, 2015 through February 28, 2016. There were no changes in rents, etc. from the previous year. Contracts for the two sanctioned ACBL Directors have been added for the same time period.
- Lynne will purchase a new suggestion box as well as boxes for mail that comes to the club for our various renters.
- There was a copy write issue that occurred on our web site. Our web master has settled this with the attorney.

Treasurer:

Monica Dlugos

- Monica reviewed the current financials which are attached for the record.
- She and Phil went to our bank to look into possibly “investing” some of our funds into something with a higher yield than we currently get from our money market accounts while maintaining a low risk. Currently there is nothing available that meets these criteria so we will keep the funds in the money market accounts and research periodically.
- Monica noted that our paper plates have been taken from the unlocked cabinet on a regular basis so she has instructed Walt to move them to one of the locked cabinets.

Recording Secretary:

Sandy Howland

- Sandy noted that our minutes have been very detailed in the past and feels that it would be better to be more concise. Sanford noted that in Roberts Rules of Order it states that minutes should be a summary rather than details of everything said. The Board agreed to this suggestion.

Corresponding Secretary:

Patti Gorman - absent

- Patti turned in a written report which Monica read and it is attached to the minutes for the record.

Committee Reports:

Bridge Director:

Phil Nerhood

- Phil made a suggestion that light snacks (munchies) be served at the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon games. Dorrine volunteered to purchase these and either set them out herself or let the Directors know where they are kept and they can set them out.

- Several members have suggested that we provide name tags. Phil will purchase these and leave for the Directors to ask players if they would like to wear one.
- The inserts to the bidding boxes need to be cleaned up and refreshed. He and Patti will handle doing this.
- The Board decided not to purchase bridge mate boxes at this time.
- It was approved to increase the Director fee for the Tuesday & Thursday afternoon games from \$80.00 to \$85.00 affective June 2, 2015.

Charities Director: Linda Shohet

- Linda read a flyer that will be posted on the bulletin board regarding the Joyce Snyder Center collection from June 22-27, 2015. She will email to Sandy to send out an announcement on Constant Contact and post on the web site.

Parliamentarian: Sanford Shane

- Sanford explained the work that the Bylaw Committee had done and noted just the changes and reorganization to the bylaws to make them more ordered and logical. Every member received written notification which included a letter from the President, a summary from the Bylaw Committee and the proposed bylaws in April. He made a motion to approve the revised bylaws which were unanimously approved by all present.

New Business: Lynne Batchelor

- Lynne noted that the refrigerator ice machine sometimes works and sometimes doesn't. Monica will research the cost of a new refrigerator. The existing one could then be moved downstairs to the lower level. Lynne will research the cost of an ice maker and if it is feasible to install one in the kitchen area.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

The next meeting TBD.