

Natures Fun Association
General Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2024

Board Members Present:

Ken Casey, President; Carolyn Overway, Vice President; Ali Roder, Secretary; Sylvain Dubois, Treasurer; Ruthi Hedge, Director of Entertainment; Cathie Mealie, Director at Large

Called to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Tom (Kat) led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President:

At this time, we would like to salute our friends and neighbors from Canada and other countries. Thanks for spending time with us here at Natures. The agenda for this meeting was presented.

Vice President:

There were several submissions in the suggestion box: 1-Candi (John) suggested a sip and swim which was held with Red Volution; 2-Ken recommended another set of cornhole bags for the new cornhole game constructed by Steve (Paula), approved and purchased; 3-Dave (Marci) requested another toaster; approved and purchased; 4-Greg (Rainy) requested another crock pot; approved and purchased; Alice suggested a reminder for members to bring smaller bills when attending paying functions; 5-Mary (Mark) requested a bracket for a donated t.v, this requires further information; 6-Sue (Dave) provided a detailed list of Christmas ornaments which was tabled until Nov. The sign-up sheet is circulating needing hosts for breakfasts.

Secretary:

As the minutes of Decembers 2023 meeting are posted on the bulletin board and the NFA website, Ali requested to waive the reading of said minutes and approve as written. Terry (Ken) moved and Rainy (Greg) seconded to accept the report. Motion carried.

Treasurer:

The banking summary was reviewed showing an income of \$3,893.04 with expenditures of \$4,710.33 providing a deficit of \$817.29. The current balance is \$12,841.98. Greg (Rainy) moved, and Karen (Mike) seconded to accept the report as presented. Motion carried. Ken reviewed Bylaws Article IX: The Auditing Committee will receive the annual financial statement from the Treasurer during the January general membership meeting. It shall be the duty of the Auditing Committee to study such of the financial records of the Association as may be needed to audit those records; and to make its report to the general membership meeting in the following February. Bob (Laura), Head of the Auditing Committee accepted the financial records.

Director of Entertainment:

Night Howlers had 62 in attendance with two noes and are booked for Halloween 2024. The Christmas parade consisted of 14 decorated golf carts with a s'mores/chocolate event at the Connies Firepit. Vinyl Spin had 61 attending with four noes and will return in January of 2025. Dirty Birds performed NYE with 113 attending. As the Dirty Birds ticket count was tampered with, the tickets were tossed. Bottom Line band was attended by 64 members with four noes and will perform at the Owners Dance in 2025. Red Volution had approximately 75-80 members in attendance and the consensus (without a count) was positive. Tonight, Muzik will entertain. Sandpipers have retired from their play. Feb. 10th Stephen May and the Southern Knights will play. He will be scheduled indefinitely the second Saturday every Feb.

Director at Large:

Thanks to all who completed the questionnaires. Also, thanks to Janet (Ken) who is truly appreciated for assistance with donuts.

Acknowledgements:

- *Sue, Rainy and helpers for sponsoring the garage sale
- *Paul and Beckey for hosting the Night Howlers Dance
- *Joy and Carolyn for the Christmas Parade and Connies Firepit gathering
- *Misty and Bill for hosting the Vinyl Spin Dance
- *Steve, Jan and the Elves for hosting the Gift Exchange

- *Bob and Laura for hosting the Wine and Cheese Party
 - *Dave, Elaine, John and Candi for hosting Christmas Dinner
 - *Members assisting the Board with NYE Dance
 - *Sylvain and Sylvie for the Moose Milk Levee
 - *Eighteen members who donated blood
 - *Greg and Rainy for the Spaghetti Dinner and donating all proceeds
 - *Joy and Everett for hosting Bottom Line Band Dance
 - *John and Candi for sponsoring the Sip and Swim Pool Side Event
 - *Janet, Sylvie and all bakers of cakes for the Birthday/Anniversary Event
 - *All members who donate their time and efforts not just hosting but decorating and cleaning, etc.
 - *All coordinators who organize classes for exercise, dance practice, games, karaoke etc. on a daily or weekly basis.
- We also want to give appreciation to Valerie for her nearly seven years as Office Manager with Natures. Hip, Hip Hooray!

Upcoming Events:

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| >Wed, Jan 24 th | Old Farts Birthday Party (Mel) |
| >Sat, Jan 27 th | Breakfast (needs host) |
| >Sat, Feb 3 rd | Breakfast (needs host) |
| >Tue, Feb 6 th | Tater Night (Greg and Rainy) |
| >Wed, Feb 14 th | Valentines Day Brunch Potluck (Dave and Elaine) |
| >Wed, Feb 14 th | Valentines D.J. Dance (Ruthi and Sylvain) |
| >Feb, Feb 18 th | FITS Kickoff Dance (Ruthi) |

Unfinished Business:

- >Greg (Rainy) relayed we have 21 events plus the Kickoff Dance for FITS. The sign-up sheets will be in the binder along with the event fee. Thanks to the members that stepped up to host an event.
- >As Sue (Dave) was not in attendance, her suggested Rib Competition needs further information.
- >The dermatologist has ghosted us, so we have no event scheduled.
- >Ruthi requested members provide music suggestions for the Valentines D.J. Dance.

>The copyright law was reviewed, and it was determined we can view over the air programs as well as purchased movies, nothing pirated. No devices (personal adapters for pay channels) may be used.

>As our current t.v. has pixel issues, it was decided to purchase a new one abiding by the parameters of the copyright law on size. The Fun Association will also purchase a new stand. Mike (Karen) asked about paying for Direct T.V. As we first need to purchase a license (annually) in addition to the approximate \$700 yearly fee, the Board finds this cost prohibitive.

New Business:

>The confusion regarding the NR Google Group versus the second Google Group has been resolved by eliminating the second Google Group.

>A reminder was given for members requesting to host an event to complete the form located on the bulletin boards and found on NFA website.

>Article XI states Constitution/Bylaws proposals must be posted no less than 15 days prior to February's meeting. Submit them to Ali to post.

Nominating Committee:

Pete (Beckey) heading this committee advised two members are candidates: Ali Roder and Ruthi Hedge. Ken requested three times for nominations from the floor with no response. Daisy moved and Jan (Steve) seconded to cease all nominations. Motion carried.

Open Discussion:

Lee (Mary) commented Karaoke will now be held weekly rather than every other week.

Rainy (Greg) moved and Bobby seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:38.

Respectfully submitted,
Ali Roder
Secretary

