

Natures Fun Association
General Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2024

Board Members Present:

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

Called to Order:

Ken called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kelley (Dan).

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. Ken presented this meeting's agenda.

Vice President:

Thank you to Ali for reading my report. Suggestions in the suggestion box since our last meeting: 1) Karen (Mike) requested more upbeat music for the pool area. Ruthi will follow up with Karen 2) Karen also suggested pool music for our annual Pizza Pool Party. This too will be followed up and we will try to secure entertainment for this event. 3) Dave (Elaine) suggested new bags for the cornhole bags. They have been purchased and have arrived. Thank you to Dave (Elaine) and John (Candi) for running the Cornhole Tournament in my absence. Breakfast last week was canceled as we had no host. The sign-up sheet is being circulated so please consider hosting a breakfast or brunch. Two breakfasts have been sponsored but we still need volunteers. Paula (Steve) moved and Ken (Terry) seconded to accept as reported. Motion carried.

Treasurer:

The Banking Summary, from Jan 20, 2024 through Feb 16, 2024 was reviewed and offered the following: Income reported was \$998.53 with expenditures of \$1,894.60 leaving a deficit of \$896.07. The current balance is \$11,945.91. Rainy (Greg) moved to accept report as presented, and Terry (Ken) seconded. Motion carried.

Secretary:

As the minutes of January 2024's meeting was posted on the Board of Directors bulletin board and NFA website, Ali requested to waive the reading and accept as printed.

Joy (Everett) moved to accept the report as given, and Jan (Steve) seconded. Motion carried.

Director of Entertainment:

The Muzik entertainers had 50 in attendance with 0 noes. Steven May had 80 members attending with 2 noes. A show of hands was requested for DJ Dances with more yes votes than noes. FITS Kick-off Dance will be held tomorrow, Sun the 18th, at 7:00 p.m. Buzz Kill performs March 2nd. Red Volution has been contracted to play for our Pizza/Pool Party. Through a recommendation, Larry's Little Brothers was contacted to entertain. Their giggling response was a decline. Another recommendation was Southern Vibes and negotiations are in the works. Steven May will return next Feb but it will be on a Thursday rather than Saturday. Muzik will return the third Sat next year. Pool music will be rotated to prevent so much repetition.

Director at Large:

More candy bars are to be available, and a different selection of sodas is now offered. Request was made for more canteen ideas.

Acknowledgements:

- *Thanks to all members who help with our events
- *Everett, Joy, John, Deb, Dave, Marcie and Alice for breakfasts
- *John and Candi for hosting the Red Volution Pool Party
- *Sylvie and Sylvain for hosting the Muzik Dance
- *Tater Nite hosted by Greg and Rainy
- *Mel and Randy hosting Steven May and the Southern Knights
- *John and Candi for sponsoring the Super Bowl Party
- *Dave, Elaine, Jay and Laurette for hosting the Valentine's Day Potluck Brunch
- *Ruthi and Sylvain for hosting the Valentine's Day DJ Dance
- *Pete and committee for serving on the Nominating Committee

We also thank Valerie for assistance. Hip Hip Hooray!

We are lacking hosts for the Owners Appreciation Dinner and Owners Appreciation Dance. Also needed is a sponsor for Easter Dinner and a few breakfasts.

We appreciate that Cathie handles the donuts for the General Meetings.

Unfinished Business:

>The TV/Stand/Sound Bar has been installed. These items come from donations made by the Estate Sale of Peggy's place. Thanks to Karen (Richard) and Peggy's sons for the funding. A plaque has been made and mounted on the stand honoring this donation. Caution needs to be made moving the TV as the antenna needs undone first.

>Greg reported Kick-off begins Feb 18th with events ending March 3rd. Lack of participation has caused the cancellation of some events. A current calendar has been posted.

>When the last to leave the clubhouse, ensure the doors are securely closed and windows are closed. Although these are not FA guidelines, they apply to all members to care for our premises.

>Our Happy Hour hosts, Everett and Joy, are retiring after three years. A request was made to host Happy Hour outside the park and the Board of Directors declined their endorsement.

New Business:

>There were two nominees for the two open positions, (Ali R and Ruthi H), for the Board of Directors. Ken, by acclamation, requested appointing Ali Roder and Ruthi Hedge to the Board of Directors. Greg (Rainy) moved, and Robert (Jannie) seconded to appoint Ali and Ruthi to the Board of Directors by acclamation. Motion carried.

>The changes to the Bylaws have been posted, as required, on the BOD bulletin board. The Bylaw proposal is two-part. The first part is a paragraph addition to ARTICLE II: DUTIES AND TERMS OF OFFICERS as follows: 8. In the event that a Board Member is not fulfilling his/her duties stated in the Constitution or Bylaws, the Board Members, after taking a vote at a regular Board Meeting or Special Board Meeting, shall bring the matter to the membership at the next General Members Meeting, or, if needed, special Members Meeting, to vote and to have said member removed as a Board Member. Tom (Cathie) expressed his concerns about the Board of Directors motives and proposed to have a committee review the Board members appointments and resignations and review the Bylaws. Ken stated the vote for this proposal is ultimately up to the membership. Ken commented there is a loss of volunteerism which applies to the Board as well offering only two candidates. He also proposed reviewing any changes members suggest to the Bylaws. As Robert's Rules are the guidelines for our meetings, those rules state a vote of hands is permissible. Ken called for a show of hands to approve the addition; 64 members voted yes, six voted no and one abstained. The majority of votes approved making the addition to the Bylaws. The second part of the proposal change is as follows: ARTICLE VI, Paragraph 3: Insertion of wording in the final sentence; In the case of Board Members who resign, **are removed**, or are unable to complete their terms, the Board may appoint a replacement until the next Board election, when the membership will elect a replacement for the remainder of that term. Ken called for a show of hands in favor of the proposed change and 56 members voted yes, three voted no and one abstained. The majority voted to approve inserting **"are removed"** as proposed.

>Bob (Laurie) reported for the Audit Committee (Kevin/Bonnie and Mary/Mark) finding the accounts of Natures Resort Fun Association to be in order as reported. A recommendation

was made for the addition of a "Collection/Expense/Reimbursement" form to be developed to simplify monthly documentation of small miscellaneous items.

>Pete (Beckey) stated a member does not need to be approached by the Nominating Committee to run for the Board of Directors.

Open Discussion:

Sue (Steve) acknowledged the members who serve cake/ice cream for our Birthday/Anniversary event and donuts for our General Meetings.

Paula (Roberto) advised Card Bingo will be on Monday as there was a cancellation in the FITS schedule. She requested non-styrofoam containers for the kitchen.

Bob (Laurie) gave thanks to the Board of Directors for their work.

Ruthi advised next year's Super Bowl is on Sun the 9th with Mardi Gras Fat Tuesday on the 11th. Members are suggesting an event for Mardi Gras but a host is needed.

Greg (Rainy) moved and Ken (Terry) seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ali Roder
Secretary