

Natures Fun Association - General Meeting Minutes

December 16th 2017

Call to Order: Steve called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Present were Steve Watters, President-Rainy Snow, Vice-President-Pete Smithley, Treasurer-Patty Hooley, Entertainment-Tom Frederick-Director-at-Large. Excused Robin Baugh, Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Ken

Steve welcomed the membership "At this time I would like salute our friends and neighbors from Canada and other countries. Thanks for spending time with us here at NATURES"

President

Welcome Everyone,

Steve advised that Robin our Secretary has been excused for this meeting.

Rainy our Vice President will take the minutes for this meeting.

He congratulated the winners of the Christmas parade (Jim and Mary Ann) and Lot Decorating (Mark and Janis) contest. Thank you to everyone that participated. Well done by all. He advised this will be an annual event.

Steve advised the membership that Pool Richard Needs a haircut, along with Skirt Boy Steve

Right after the general meeting and owners corner, Richard and Steve will receive a number 1 buzz cut.

The catch is we are asking for donations.

All money raised will be given to the [Shriners](#), which will utilize the money to ensure local sick children get the medical attention they may require.

A donation box is available by the donuts at the back of the room.

Your donation of any amount will be greatly appreciated.

Steve then advised that the Agenda for the meeting today will be as follows:

Board Officer's reports, Upcoming Events, Unfinished Business, Entertainment, New Business, Open Discussion, Announcements, Adjournment Followed by the Owners Corner:

Secretary's Report: Rainy

The Minutes from the last meeting has been posted on the Fun Association Web page and on the Bulletin Board. Are there any questions regarding those meeting minutes?

Motion to Accept the minutes as read: *Moved by Alice, 2nd by Tom.*
Carried

Treasurer's Report: Pete presented the highlights of the treasurer's report. Copy attached. Also it is posted on the website.

Treasurers Report

Motion to Accept the Treasurer's Report: *Moved by Greg, 2nd by Sylvain.*
Carried

Pete advised that we have a new budget for the 2018 year and that it is also posted on the website.

Entertainment Directors Report: Patty advised that the last dance with Los City Boys resulted in us not asking the band to return in the near future. She has Stephen May booked for St Patrick's Day.

Director at Large Report: Tom advised everything is going fine with regards to ice cream pop etc.

Vice President Report: Rainy advised that there were two suggestions in the box. One was given to the owners and the other requested that when advertising items for sale in the Google group. Please include lot # as well as name.

Upcoming Events: Steve advised "We are going to pass around the signup sheet. Please sign up for events that you see open. These events require coordinators to help ensure the success of the event. The duties are not difficult, and any board member will be happy to explain to you what is required. Please sign up to coordinate an event. Your help is much appreciated.

He also advised the following upcoming events leading up to the next General meeting:

- 18 Dec Dance - Bottom Line Band
- 21 Dec Gift Exchange (Steve & Jan) will be lots of fun.
- 24 Dec Christmas Eve Wine & Cheese (Tom & Kat) bring your favourite wine and cheese to share if you wish.

- 25 Dec Christmas Dinner (Kay, Andy, Phylis & Nick) Still needing volunteers to make it all work
- 31 Dec New Years Eve Dance Wally Garza 8.30-12.30 Seats can be reserved at 6.30
- 1 Jan Moose Milk - 11.00 a.m.
- 13 Jan Ren. Rockers
- 18 Jan Monte Carlo Night (More to follow)
- 20 Jan General Meeting

Unfinished Business: Steve discussed the following:

- Natures T-Shirts – If you want one today is the last day to submit your order. The order will be placed and T-Shirts will be available in January. (Please note, if you are signed up you're committed to your purchase. All T-Shirts will be \$15.00
- Natures Resort Hats – Hats have been ordered and will be available in the New Year. (Hats will be \$15.00 per hat)
- Party Shelters – have been purchased
 - 2x 10 x 20 foot
 - 1x 10 x 10 foot: The 10x10 can be signed out by members for use. Member is responsible for damages.
- Reminder First Aid Coordinator is Paula
- Reminder Recycle Coordinator is Mark
- Military Photo's - Ken is responsible and doing a great job

- AARP – Search for Driver Safety instructors (Volunteer positions)
- Towels – For Sale for \$30.00 per towel
- Pens – For Sale for \$5.00 Per pen
- Fun Association Website; The link is: www.naturesresortfunassociation.org. Steve advised that the financials and constitution is password protected. Steve advised that if you want to use a common area of the park please book through the site, to avoid conflicts. Also he will never post pictures on the website.

New Business: Steve thanked the following

- Jim for the installation of the outdoor speakers
- Pete, Doc Steve and Mark for help with the setup of new Dart room
- Pete for helping to paint the old Dart room

- He also advised that as per Article V of the Bylaws it is required to appoint a Nominating Committee of three members during the month of December. At the following January membership meeting, the nominating committee shall present two slates of nominees (who have agreed to serve if elected). At this meeting, after each slate is accepted by the membership, the presiding officer will accept nominations from the floor for members who then agree (or have previously agreed in writing) to serve, if elected.

Lists of Members nominated for the Board (and nominations from the floor, if any) shall be displayed on the bulletin board from the time of January membership meeting until the end of

the February membership meeting. Slates are needed for two nominees to fill the places of two board members whose terms will expire in February.

With that being said, announced that Tom & Patty will not be running for re-election. Therefore our election Committee will have their work cut out for them.

- The Election Committee this year will be Jim, Chip and Ken. If you are interested in running for the Board please see anyone of them. He then thanked them.
- Monte Carlo Night (January 18th) Explained slightly, email will be sent with all the details. We require Dealers for the night, if interested please let me know after the meeting.
- RGV Basket Ball Dates
Tuesday March 6th
Again, the price point is \$35 dollars to include transportation to and from the game, dinner, ticket to the game and a t-shirt.
- We are looking for a volunteer to pick up the weekly Winter Texans. If interested please see Tom.

Steve advised the changes to the use of the rooms, when used please return to previous condition.

Tom advised that Santa will be available for pictures today between 12- 1 Lot 130.

Open Discussion:

Lee and Dan advised that they had gone to a very informative event regarding Border issues put on by the Chamber of Commerce.

Jack asked that in the future informative events be posted in the Google group. He also asked that there be a meeting following this meeting re Monte Alto Christmas Committee. Thursday at 10 am: a work bee organizing items. All items to be delivered on Friday.

Tom spoke of how much these items are appreciated by the families.

Jim advised that Dollar General is having quite a sale right now on toys.

Ken thanked the committee for all their hard work.

Ruthi advised that her dance classes will start Monday Jan 8 at 10 am for 10 week. Everyone is welcome. She will be doing Valentine's Videos again this season. Need music and 24-36 pictures, by January 15th deadline. The ones she has from previous years will be redone.

Ken advised next Blood drive is January 2, 2018

Paula thanked Jim, Mary Ann and Ruthi for coordinating the dance classes so that we all benefit.

Jim advised that rather than turkey fixings etc, this season we are proving the ingredients for Tamales

Pam advised the quilts will be hung in the New Year and if you have a quilt see Tara #64 or Pat #309/ She also advised that the raffle tickets will be available at dances and next meeting. The three items raffled off were done by award winning quilter Lynne Benson. The first Friday of every month will be dedicated to the kits they have been making for the girls, 40 kits are going to Zambia and also to the Monte Alto families.

Tom advised the quilt raffle draw will take place at FITS. He also advised that the Memorial Golf Tournament had taken place and was quite successful. Two names are being added Lester (Sandpipers) and Don.

Tom also advised the FITS calendar will be posted. There are burlap sacks available if anyone so wishes to use in an event.

Becky wondered if there was an interest with the ladies to have a swap meet. She explained the concept and yes there is interest. She will proceed with the plan.

Patty mentioned there were many newspapers in the recycling and that Paula #71 will take newspapers to Palm Valley so please do not put in recycling.

Paula also advised that they cannot take any shiny paper.

Terry advised last dance of this year and first of next is New Years. There will be great door prizes available. Anyone wanting to help decorate for the dance; please be at the clubhouse at noon on Dec 31, 2017.

Alice asked if the voting on bands could be explained for new members. Steve explained.

Julie asked if a list of the first responders could be emailed out.

Sign up for Christmas dinner and volunteering.

Haircut of Steve and Richard to follow the meeting

Motion to Adjourn. Moved by Tom 2nd by Paula 10.20 am

President:

Announcements: All

- Next General Meeting will be on January 20th, 2018