Unit 144 Board of Director's Minutes June 15, 2013

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Larry Alexander- President Cary Rodgers-Vice President Judy Knox –Secretary Al Stone- Treasurer Tom Dixon- Absent Cecile Skaggs Judy Dever Ed Davis Jackie Stewart Henry Francis

The meeting was called to order by Larry Alexander around 10:30am. The minutes emailed out by Judy Knox were approved.

Russ Jones is running for the District 10 spot on ACBL Board of Directors to replace Bill Cook. Bill Cook is resigning. Russ Jones and Coley McGinnis are both running for the spot. The Unit 144 Board of directors each gets a vote for the person to replace Bill Cook.

Russ talked to us about why he was the best candidate to fill the position. He gave us all a hand out with his picture and a brief description and summary of his autobiography. The Board of directors will each get a vote. We can vote electronically and the voting starts in August, 2013 and ends November, 2013. The winner will take the position in January 21, 2014. It is a 3 year term. Russ gave a very interesting speech.

Treasurer's Report

Al Stone gave the treasurer's report: The checking account balance is \$778.13. The savings account balance is \$20,300.00. We will be using most of this for advance payments on the Tunica Tournament.

Old Business

Complaints regarding the Awards Banquet-The oven need to be adjusted. Potatoes did not get done for the Banquet Dinner. Al said he will see that it gets fixed. The steaks were marinated in some strong sauce and people were complaining. Web Site has been updated.

Myron's proposal to re-stripe parking lot and get rid of the smoking room. We will table this to the next meeting.

Sky Rocket Sectional- Judy Knox

We are ready for the tournament. I am giving out stickers, ink pens, Baron Barclay gift certificates and \$2 for section tops. We are putting out fliers requesting people to bring sandwich fixings instead of sandwiches. Jackie needs help from Board Members. She needs Judy Dever and Cary Rodgers to come to help with preparing the food on Friday and Saturday. She wants Cary on Sat and to help clean up on Sunday. Bob Williams will help again this year and she has hired 2 kids to help make the sandwiches. Jackie will make a sign up sheet for people to help.

Discussion was made regarding setting up the tables. Ed won't be here, but he will try to get the chairs set up for the tournament. Ed wants to start setting up tables the Friday before the 4^{th} of July on Thursday. Ed also discussed the problem with the doors that stick and how we have complained about it for years. Brandon has said he is going to give us the room upstairs for hospitality. This is not the room on the 26^{th} floor. We will check to see if we can use the upstairs ballroom for the playing room and use the former playing room for hospitality.

Ed has checked at the Marriott and they have a good space for us to use if the Hilton does not honor our contract better. Judy will talk to Brandon about switching the rooms for the playing area and the hospitality.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35pm. The next Board meeting will be July 20, 2013 at 10:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Knox Judy Knox, Secretary Unit 144

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