



**“With A Little Help...”, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Location: Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites Madison-Verona
515 W Verona Ave, Verona, Wisconsin 53593
Saturday, January 23, 2016 at 3:00 pm**

Present:

President: Erica Andres; Vice President: Scott Uhlman; Secretary: Kirsten Nichols; Treasurer & Camp Coordinator: Michael Hlavenka; Additional Board Members: Julie Chaloupka; Tyler Engel; Joseph Fortuna; Jeff “Biff” Martinkoski; Lauren Oftedahl; Kelly Zolinski; Michael Zolinski

Erica Andres called the meeting to order at 3:11.

President’s Report: Erica Andres

- No report given

Secretary’s Report: Minutes from the November 15, 2015 Meeting the Board of Directors was read in part. Mike Hlavenka objected to specific report of the committee because of the contents of Joe Fortuna’s report, believes a committee was not properly formed. Mike Zolinski moved to accept minutes as submitted, Kirsten Nichols second, all voted yes except Tyler Engel abstained, and Erica Andres and Mike Hlavenka voted no.

Treasurer’s Report: Michael Hlavenka

- Total net worth of WALH = \$109,000
- Biff Martinkoski suggested switching to a credit union, discussed pros and cons. Mike Hlavenka suggested deferring discussion at finance committee mtg.
- Biff Martinkoski moved to accept minutes as submitted, Kelly Zolinski second, all voted yes

Camp Report:

- Summer camp 2016 will be July 30-August 5
- Theme ideas considered: Game shows, Travel around the World, TV shows, Under the sea, Beach party, Wild West, Space. Decided camp committee would receive recommendation of TV Shows theme
- Considered Corvettes a different night
- Possible activity is a research presentation about repairing heart muscles in Duchenne’s patients by Tyler Engel’s boss who is a stem cells scientist
- Joe Fortuna recommended replacing Carnival and Hold’em tournament with casino night that would tie various things together
- Would like to set goal to gather pictures for memorial, especially of longer-deceased camp members to digitize.

Committees

- Bylaws :
 - Chair Jim Chaloupka is looking to recruit members and do most work on Facebook messaging as record keeping. Plans to create straw-man draft to start
- Advisory:
 - Linda Lee declined committee chair and thinks it not necessary to have committee. Biff Martinkoski said historically advisory members were not active
 - Scott Uhlman moved to table question of whether to appoint Advisory committee, Mike Zolinski seconded, approved unanimously
- Newsletter:
 - Changed from four times per year to now once annually. Scott Uhlman did issue in December 2015, mailing prompted Edna Foelker to buy 200 raffle tickets
- Fundraising:
 - Trying to have 1/month
 - Flower Power to end 5-1-16
 - Chiles
 - Greenfield TGI Fridays
 - Wine Tasting 6/21. Seating arrangements may change, or Carrabas could cater elsewhere if we can find venue that has alcohol license. Perhaps a winery?
 - Please consider other ideas, contact Julie
- Camp Committee:
 - Next meeting Feb 6 at 6pm
- Social Media/Website:
 - Future fundraisers and raffle winners will be posted.
 - Erica Andres suggested sharing adaptive equipment posts from LWMD.
 - Mike Hlavenka suggested development of blog like content updates periodically on the website that would also be pushed to social media. Mike Tews agreed to write posts but might need topic prompts
- Sunshine:
 - Everyone is healthy!
 - Card distributed for Jo P. and Josh C. who are recovering from hospitalizations.
 - If anyone knows of hospitalization/illness, contact Biff Martinkoski for reach out
- Finance:
 - No news, but next meeting will discuss changing bank

Old Business

- Fall camp 2016 will be November 4-6
- Fundraisers
 - Year round raffle starts 2/2016, tickets due 1/31 but overall profitable
 - New drawers discussed
 - Bucky books – Karen F sold >\$500

New Business

- No new business

Announcements

- Mike Hlavenka will step down as treasurer and camp coordinator next year, would like nominees for someone to work with to train
- Becky T. is cancer free
- Jaime Coyne running for local alder person

Future Meetings

- Next Board of Director's meeting will be April 10, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at Aurora Hospital Gifford Room, 36500 Aurora Drive, Summit, WI and Teleconference: 1 (712) 432-1500, Participant Access Code: 894543#
- Subsequent Board of Director's meeting will be June 25, 2016 at Biff's Clubhouse in Oak Creek, picnic to follow

Mike Zolinski moved to close the meeting at 4:44 p.m., Tyler Engel seconded. Motion voted and approved unanimously

Respectfully submitted,
Kirsten Nichols, Secretary.