

The Lodge Committee

Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2024

Meeting called to order at 5:07 PM

In attendance: Judy Weichel, Debbie Brewer, John Root, Vicki Burk, Marsha Walmer, Jazmine Snide Absent – Brenda Ries, and Frank Miller

Deb motioned to approve prior meeting minutes from January 2024. John seconded. All in favor. Prior minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report – Total cash in all Santander accounts as of 1/31/24 (including petty cash) is \$4,464.79. As of 2/5/24 the total cash is \$5,419.17. The lodge showed a loss in January in the amount of (\$320.17). Part of that loss was due to needing to pay for Chase to cook on trivia night. It was also discussed that Tim came in too even though he wasn't on the schedule. Discussion ensued about how to handle when this type of situation occurs. Vicki brought up that Charlie is still being paid at the dishwasher rate even though he is now working in the kitchen as a cook. Since his safe serve still isn't completed, the committee was unanimous in bumping his payrate up to \$11/hour once the requirement is met. Vicki will communicate this to Taylor for us. Also, the payroll is almost all caught up. The other item worth noting is sales tax must be paid monthly now instead of quarterly.

Kitchen Report – Staffing – Staffing is still pretty tight. We do have a new volunteer and another on the horizon. Jess's daughter will be 18 in a couple months and interested in volunteering. The only disadvantage to volunteers being under 18 is they are unable to serve drinks. Fortunately, we feel if the situation presents itself, as it will with Sherry's daughter helping on the nights' specials are offered, others will pitch in. We continue to post that servers are needed.

John did talk with Heather about the cleaner for the lodge, and if there is any way to get professional cleaners to help in the kitchen, but no resolution at this time.

John and Deb have been watching an auction site - PCI Auction group. Considering some new equipment for our kitchen.

John will also discuss with the board on his next board meeting about all the bartenders and committee members having keys and a security code for entering the lodge. He doesn't like the idea of a bartender needing to wait until security comes to lock the lodge at the end of the night. He suggests everyone has their own code. This allows

him to know when someone enters who it is, and also, if that person no longer has permission to enter, their code can be deleted.

Bar Report – New menu and pricing has been worked through in a very detailed manner. Everything has been studied between the LOOP system, and clover system for pricing right down to how many servings are in each liquor bottle. The bar should run on a 130% profit. That is industry standard. There are a few items discontinued, and Jaz felt they will have no problem clearing them out.

Brief discussion on where to buy the mixers, etc for the most reasonable prices and the least amount of waste. Beer Shak was brought up, as well as olives and such just coming from a grocery store. These options will continue to be explored.

John is donating a new pizza oven to the lodge. It may be able to be a better option for cooking food when the kitchen is closed, or even for the pretzel logs in the kitchen which are a recent addition to the menu.

Lodge Events

Trivia – Feb 8 and 22. On the 8th, soup will be offered, and on the 22nd, Frank will prepare tacos and nachos.

Karaoke will be tested out Friday the 9th. Hopefully beginning April, we will be able to schedule more regularly.

First dinner special is Feb 10th, second will be Feb 24th.

Superbowl will be Feb 11th. Lodge will contribute sliced Italian roast beef with gardenia and the chicken zingers. Drink specials to be offered and John wants to have a drawing for the 3 yuengling items hanging in the bar.

Murder mystery is scheduled for 2/17.

Lenten specials will be offered every Friday during lent. Sysco offers a fish/shellfish platter which we should easily be able to stock and sell for \$15/plate.

Paint and Sip – March 10th. Time TBD

St Patrick's Day brunch – Sunday March 17th

Trivia in March will only be offered on the 21st due to scheduling difficulties.

Touch Tunes – Discussion on the option of paying for a feature which has a song play every 20 minutes if no one is using it. This helps with reminding patrons the music is

available, hopefully increasing profits. John didn't understand why we would have to pay for this, and we discussed work arounds for this service. It has value, but we need to fully evaluate the cost vs benefit for it.

New Office and other General Improvements - Office is now completed. Still needs to be outfitted for full functionality. We all went to look at it. It looks nice, and we could also see how accessible it is to the pool. There was lots of discussion on the possibility of offering a real snack shack, or even alcoholic drinks at the pool. John mentioned the possibility of small barbeque grills at the pool like they have at several docks.

John is still pricing TV's. He also suggested we continue to think about our capital improvements. The tap system has always been on the list because it is imperative that we have a functioning system. John also would love to have soda squirter.

The extended premises permit has been approved. John has contacted several contractors for estimates on a 30 x 45 foot patio. John is hoping for firepits outside, and portable patio heaters as the weather gets colder. He wants seating outside to overlook the lakes leading out to the patio. For now, it would be open air, but possibly have an awning in the future.

Bar Incident - there was an incident with a husband and wife at the lodge. Marsha and Jaz both completed incident reports. Discussion on how to handle this going forward. Both Marsha and Jaz did exactly the correct thing, but the discussion was if there should be a suspension imposed on the patron. John will discuss with the board and see if there are any guidelines established for this. No decision at this time.

John provided an update to his personal situation. He doesn't expect to be completely removed from his previous obligation at the other place until mid-March at the earliest.

We discussed asking people what they would like from the lodge. Now that football is nearly over, should we consider March Madness for basketball, Nascar, etc. Discussion regarding a facebook survey vs a written survey. Jazmine will put something together.

Meeting was then opened to public comments, and Kevin Haldeman had questions on the pricing of drinks. The committee reviewed with him the detail and repricing that was recently completed. He and his wife Karen joined the meeting about an hour in to the meeting, once the executive portion was completed.

Next meeting set on 2nd Monday of March – March 11th at 5:30, open to public at 6:30.

Deb motioned to close meeting, Judy seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 7:20