

FIRA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2018

Attendance:

President: Dave Wilson
Vice President: Dave Chevrefils
Treasurer: Keith Clarkson
Secretary: Carrie DiFrancesco
Past President: Glen Smith
Member at Large: Dianne Chevrefils
Member at Large: Wayne McKenzie
Building Maintenance: Dennis Pope

Dave Wilson called the meeting to order.

Treasurer Report: Keith Clarkson handed out a Financial report which is attached at end of these minutes. For Club 200, \$2,000 will be awarded in total and a charity donation will be made. Expenses included tickets & the drum. For the Hall renovations, we had membership vote to spend up to \$8,000 but we only ended up using \$6,074.87. This amount is approximate to what we spent on the interior decor & new furnace last year.

Association Discounts: Continuing discussion from the AGM regarding members who are also a member of HLCA getting the \$10 discount, an idea was raised to allow discounts to any member if they belong to any other lake association. It was pointed out that the Percy Lake group is not a lake association but a Rate Payers Association. As previously mentioned, the Percy group did not respond to the request to do the same as with HLCA. A motion was already made at the meeting and nobody else made a second so we are keeping things as they are.

Old air conditioners: We are looking to replace the air conditioners with windows and are asking Dan K a price quote. Once air conditioners are out in the Spring, we can advertise and see if anyone wants them.

Smoke Alarms: Mike Bone donated a new smoke alarm and will install it soon. There is a new carbon monoxide unit. Dave will pick up another smoke alarm and he changed the light bulbs to LED. There was a request for dimmer switches and we found out that there is a dimmer switch on the light panel near the door to the ramp.

Cleaning person needed: Shelly Ball is no longer cleaning the Hall and has not in the last 4 months so that is the reason we have received complaints. We will hire someone new and try for once a month and revisit again to see if we need 2x/month. Dianne Kelly has provided us with the cleaning requirement list. Renters pay the \$50 and clean after their party but we need to make sure it's clean before it is rented. If a party is not interested in cleaning, we should then charge an extra fee. Renters need to also take their own garbage.

Election concerns: Due to concerns of someone being able to use FIRA member emails for other than FIRA related business, we discussed the situation. It is not in the FIRA constitution to stop folks from using FIRA email to send political and other non-FIRA related information. So, in order to require that, we'd have to make a bylaw change. Instead, the Executive Committee is making a request that members use FIRA emails for FIRA related business only.

Generator: Since Hydro was out for the Pig Roast, we discussed the possible need for a generator. They used portable generator to use run the spit for the pig and an extension cord to power up lights and asked others to bring battery lights. There will be future consideration for a unit to be installed to allow for a borrowed generator to plug into.

Pig roast: The power outage only prevented 2 folks from attending. Only 40 tickets were sold this year but we still made \$545.

Plate idea: Would we consider getting Chinette plates for pot lucks and such? Great idea for bigger crowds so don't have to wash what the dishwasher won't fit. Try using at a future Potluck and see how it goes.

Calendar: The calendar on website is hard to read. Carrie will talk with Ken to see if it is possible to have one that is easier to see. It would be nice to distribute FIRA's calendar regularly. Remind folks to call Wayne to reserve the hall. Also will look into a larger calendar displayed in the hall.

Next General Meeting & Pot Luck, November 18th: We will review our priorities for hall improvements at the next general meeting. We are definitely going to look to do the entryway in spring. Need to get quotes and requirements over the winter as well as finalize the plan. There are 2 grants - Trillium and Federal (New Horizons). Dave will talk to Chris & Janet to see if they can help.

Trees: Some of the smaller trees in back of the hall have been taken down. There are a few big ones need to come down too as the roots are causing a problem. Also we still want to cut back more brush so it's safer to pull out of driveway.

Request: The Wednesday craft ladies would like to contribute \$400 of their profits to Hospital Auxiliary. Agreed and passed.

Raise spending Limit: We would like to raise the spending limit of executive committee to be able to spend up to \$500? This will be added to the General Meeting agenda.

Request: Members, please flush toilets at least once when using the building.

**FIRA
Income Statement
2018 through October 15**

Income			
	Dues	6,700.00	Net
Expenses:			
	Fundraising	16,364.50	9,015.17 *
	Hall Donations	300.00	
	Fitness	3,499.00	589.00
		26,863.50	
Expenses			
	Hall Exp. Incl propane	(3,815.09)	
	Fundraising	(7,349.33)	
	Fitness	(2,910.00)	
	Bank S/C	(7.00)	
	Hydro	(493.49)	
	Bell	(444.00)	
	Hall Reno	(6074.87)	
		(21,093.78)	
Current Year Income		5,769.72	
Cash January 1, 2018		5,814.57	
Current Balance		11,584.29	
GIC Invested 11/17		7,500.00	
GIC due April 2019		10,936.39	
Total Funds		<hr/> 30,020.68	

* 50:50	122.50
Silent Auction	92.60
MacGregor Meats	796.50
Summer Fest	1,074.09
Quilting & Pillows	1,593.68
Casino Night	167.25

Crafts	22.50
Pancake Breakfast	829.80
Summer BBQ	(199.36)
Pig Roast	545.11
Sharpening	10.00
Club 200	3,960.50
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