

# ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday, March 12, 2019**

The Executive Board was called to order by President Joe Pullaro at 10:25 am. The following members were in attendance:

Joe Pullaro, President

Vince Tortorelli, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Bob Dauer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Dave Voehl, Secretary

Doug Cooper, Treasurer

Jeff Mohn, Assistant Treasurer

Walt Widmer, Membership Chairman

Jim Webb, Immediate Past President

Tom Butler, Past President

Jim Mallen, Liaison to the WRC

The following items were discussed:

- Due to the snow storm, there was no Executive Board or General Meeting on February 12<sup>th</sup>.
- The minutes of the February 19, 2019 rescheduled Executive Board meeting were approved by the Board as submitted.
- Treasurers Report by Doug Cooper: Nominal change in the last month. A few checks were written. Doug reclassified \$600 from the Future Year Deposits line to the Christmas Party (Current Year)
  - \$1250 has been collected for dues. Of the outstanding list that was developed previously, 22 past members will not continue; 5 will be mailing their dues and 9 were unavailable (either by phone or email). Doug will contact club chairs to determine if any of the 9 is still attending.
  - Doug indicated that we will need 16 new members this year to break even with the budget.
  - The financial reports for February are attached separately.
- Past Presidents Committee: In addition to board members Jim Webb and Tom Butler, Frank Nusspickel and Bill Byrne attended. The main question was, what can be done to improve attendance. We average 90 members at the meetings, whereas the attendance, in the past,

was 100. Joe asked Bill and Frank to contact the group and coordinate ideas to the current board.

- Movement of meeting to sanctuary – We discussed this from every angle, attendance, the band, board meeting at 7:45, possibility of speakers being uncomfortable in the sanctuary and utilization of the hall and sanctuary for band, social meetings and lunch. After discussions and additional information garnered during the rest of the meeting, we decided to not make any change at this time. A trial will be done in the future.
- \* Care and Concern: Past member John Kicks has passed. A donation of \$50 was sent to the Wyckoff Ambulance Corps and a sympathy card was sent to the family.
- Speakers: Vince Tortorelli discussed scheduling Rep. Gottheimer. Gottheimer's office has considered an April commitment. Don Kirkpatrick has agreed to speak in April, also, if necessary. Vince distributed an update schedule. The electronic capabilities of the sanctuary were discussed vis-a-vis internet availability, Wi-Fi, HDMI, and audio/visual. Don Kirkpatrick will be contacted about what is necessary. Vince has received suggestions and will present them at the next meeting.
- Membership report: Walt Widmer reported that 6 new members may attend today's General Meeting. Walt indicated that a suggestion has been made by Trips and Tours, to include a line on the application form for the email address of the new member's wives or significant other. After discussion we agreed that the form should include this voluntary question.
- Frank Nusspickel presented the Audit Review. He reported that all obligations of Activities Unlimited are properly accounted for and that the expenditures and revenues are accurate, the balance sheet is good. He added that Mark and Doug did an outstanding job in the treasurer's positions. There are no formal auditor's recommendations. Some observations – There is a \$4001 surplus from 2018 that is to be paid to the church, when it is paid is up to the board. Trips & Tours has a surplus of \$127 but it is not required to pay this to the church. Frank reminded us that the Cap income from the banks will not be available in 2019 and that we must take this into consideration for budgeting and expenses. The Board thanked Frank for his excellent work.
- New member/Buddy Committee: Bob Dauer – The committee follows up with club chairs and sponsors to be sure that the new member is acclimating to A.U.
  - Patch – Bob has spoken to all the board members to give them the material to publish in their local Patch. Bob asked other A.U. members to publish in town Patches where board members do not live. He also asked a Wyckoff publication to put it in the magazine. A poster is also posted in the Wyckoff YMCA. We discussed the possibility of displaying posters in supermarkets.
  - Indian Trail Luncheon – Bob indicated that the band would be moved to the left end of the room rather than in the middle, with the dance floor in front of the band.
  - Club Tables – Bob has set up a rotation of clubs to have a table at the monthly General Meeting. A.U. will be represented at Wyckoff Day on the first Saturday of June.
  - The possibility of setting up a table at local supermarkets was also discussed.

- By Laws – The changes to the executive board voting will be announced at today’s General Meeting and published in the newsletter for two months. The nominating committee will be announced in August, with the proposed slate of officers announced in September and the voting to be held in October.
- Trips and Tours – The Lake Hopatcong trip has been cancelled. Non-refundable deposits of \$250 each would be required for the bus, the boat and the restaurant.
  - The Brownstone, tomorrow night has a total of 30 people.
  - The Cherry Blossom tour is also sold out.
  - The High Point trip is coming up. Expected to cost \$70 pp., for a full day and bus. Including meals. John Caikowsky has indicated that T & T may need some subsidy for this trip. There is a budget line of about \$1000 available for T & T. We will follow up.
  - Glen Rock Club – Joe is meeting with the current executive of the Club on Friday. He will ask if they are interested in the High Point trip. The possibility of joining together was discussed. To be determined.
- A general discussion was held about membership and the future of Activities Unlimited.
- Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted;

David Voehl, Secretary