

ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED ZOOM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

The Executive Board was called to order by President Mark Cohen, at 9:35 A.M. The following members were in attendance:

Mark Cohen, President

Doug Cooper, 1st Vice President

Harry Bennett, 2nd Vice President

Dave Voehl, Secretary

Jeff Mohn, Treasurer

Marty Valerio, Assistant Treasurer

Walt Widmer, Membership Chairman

Bob Dauer, Immediate Past President - Absent

Joe Pullaro, Past President

Jim Mallen, Liaison to the WRC - Absent

Don Kirkpatrick, Guest

- The meeting was called to order by President Mark Cohen at 9:35 am.
- The minutes of the March meeting were approved by acclamation.
- Treasurers Report – Jeff Mohn reported that he received dues from three existing members (\$90.00) and we have reached our budgeted amount of \$8335. Our membership now stands at 299 members. Jeff has received monies for the golf tournament which will be paid out in June. Don Kirkpatrick's bill of less than \$100 for a microphone and camera was paid in April. Jeff wrote off an old outstanding check for \$29, issued to Irene Weingartner. The \$29 will go to the next luncheon. The balance sheet and budget report will be forwarded to Don Kirkpatrick for publication on the web site.
- Walt Widmer asked that we all use a common sense approach in responding to emails by not "responding to all" if it is not appropriate.
- Membership – Mark asked Doug to mention that AU has gotten new members and that others are considering joining. This indicates a positive direction for the club. Joe Pullaro, Jeff Mohn and Walt Widmer met to discuss a membership plan. Dick Hensch is also a member. Marty Valerio and Bob Dauer were unable to attend the last meeting. Jeff Mohn is writing a letter that

may be published in The Record. George Lewis has contacted Mike Kelly, at The Record, to see if there is a reporter who will write a story about AU. Al Colden had an idea to have a “bring a buddy” to a function. They also suggested that anyone joining AU during the balance of 2021 would not pay any dues. George Lewis will address the membership at the May meeting regarding a membership drive. Mark suggested that we construct a one-page flyer to be handed out at the YMCA BBQ. Anyone attending should wear their AU T-shirt and an ID tag.

- Hybrid meetings – Mark expressed his appreciation for the great and tireless work that Harry Bennett has done in getting club chairs to use Zoom and have hybrid meetings. Harry shared the draft of the club meeting schedule, utilizing the VFW hall, which he has developed with the chairs. Some clubs may utilize the WRC again, when it opens up. Anyone attending a meeting in person must have received their vaccination. We agreed that members must show their vaccination cards. Exceptions might be made for religious or medical reasons. Should a notation be made on the roster that a member has had the vaccination. Mark will ask John Abrahamsen if it can be added. We may try a hybrid General Meeting from the VFW hall, in May. We discussed the advantages and problems of meeting at the VFW.
- Legal Structure – Doug Cooper summarized the thoughts of the Ad Hoc committee. He said that the committee suggests that we determine the steps necessary to set up an LLC and hold our findings to be discussed with the WRC only if the WRC brings up the a problem with sponsorship. The first step would be to establish a single-member LLC, owned by the WRC. There would be no liability or tax consequences for either party. An operating agreement will be written and AU’s By-Laws, Constitution and Procedures will be modified toward that end. Insurance can be available for an LLC. If the situation arises we will then have an entire package available to discuss with the WRC. Harry mentioned that the WRC may have a membership problem due to the virus. Jim Mallen will be asked for his opinion. A special meeting, including all board members and members of the Ad Hoc committee will be scheduled to discuss this further. Mark indicated that the thrust of the meeting should be in two areas; 1) summarize what has been done and continue with the WRC remaining our sponsor and 2) What happens if the WRC is no longer viable and if we can approach the succeeding church to ask if they will sponsor AU.
- August Meeting – After some discussion we decided that there will not be a meeting in August.
- Speakers Program – Today, Patty Loud, an AARP speaker will present “The Six Pillars of Brain Health”. At the May meeting there will be a discussion of technology by a group involved with today’s tech. June is scheduled for the picnic; therefore we should not have a regular general meeting. July may be a face-to-face or hybrid meeting with a speaker. Harry Bennett reported that the luncheon at the Indian Trail Club is now scheduled for September 14, on the date of our regularly scheduled General Meeting. The deposit is still in place and the cost will be \$29 per person. The YMCA activity is scheduled for June 16, with a rain date of June 17.
- Care and Concern – Marty Valerio reported that 4 members have passed away. Joseph Kelly, Paul Levin, Ray Podendorf in March and John O’Brien in April. Don Kirkpatrick indicated that the website has been updated. The process of reporting the passing of a member was discussed. The process of reporting to Care & Concern will be published in the newsletter.

- YMCA Update – Joe Pullaro reported that he, John Caikowski and John Murphy met with the Y and said that the date of the BBQ is June 16, with a rain date of June 17. It will run from 4pm to 7pm. In the Y's parking lot and grassy areas. Water will be provided. Any other beverage will be BYO. The BBQ is being held in conjunction with the YMCA Active Adult group. The Y will follow all Covid rules that apply at the time. The BBQ will be catered with a typical BBQ menu. At today's General Meeting, John Caikowsky will discuss a flyer that will be used for the event. Games and music will be available. Maybe the AU Band. The cost to AU members will be \$20. If there is an overage AU will subsidize the difference. John Caikowsky will be the coordinator with the Y. AU members will be able to nicely sell AU and possibly recruit new members. We will be able to wear our T-shirts and adhesive ID tags. If the AU band plays, they will still pay the entry fee. Walt Widmer made a motion to formalize that AU will subsidize any costs over \$20. Jeff Mohn seconded. Motion passed, Dave Voehl was the only dissenting vote.
- Special Meeting – Will remain on agenda.
- VFW Donation – After discussion a motion was made by Walt Widmer and seconded by Douglas Cooper to provide a donation of \$500 to the VFW. Passed unanimously. Harry will be the liaison with the VFW.
- Meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted;
David Voehl - Secretary