

ACTIVITIES UNLIMITED EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday July 9, 2024

The Executive Board meeting was called to order at 9:28 AM by 2024 First VP Tom Donch. The following members were in attendance:

Jim Atieh, President, absent

Tom Donch, 1st Vice President

Gaspar Lesznik – 2nd Vice President, absent

Mike Kelley, Treasurer

Scott Japko – Assistant Treasurer

Rich Bernarde, Secretary

Harry Bennett, Immediate Past President

Doug Cooper, Outgoing Past President

Jim Webb - Membership Chairman

Jim Mallen, Liaison to the WRC

John Toth – Care & Concern

- Due to President Jim Atieh not attending this meeting, First VP Dom Donch lead the meeting. Tom proposed that the minutes from the Board and General meetings of June 11, 2024, be approved; all concurred.
- Summer BBQ - Two requests for refunds from two couples (four people) who were unable to attend the Summer BBQ were received. A motion was made to refund their funds; all agreed.
- Treasurer's Report – The Board reviewed the June 30, 2024; Treasurer's Report prepared by Mike Kelley. Mike advised that our cash position continues to be strong at \$25K. We have not yet received our annual stipend from TD Bank for the members that have linked their personal accounts to TD Bank's Affinity program (AH005). Mike advised that he has followed up with TD Bank, but that he again will raise the issue with them.
- Care and Concern – Attending the Board meeting today was John Toth. John has graciously stepped up and will lead AU's Care & Concern effort. Doug Cooper gave John a thorough background on how Care & Concern functions. John has some excellent ideas on how to improve Care & Concern going forward. The Board thanked John for

volunteering and advised John that he was welcome to come to future Board meetings as he deemed necessary. Sadly, long term member Guy Cappello passed. Guy has been an AUU member since 2007 and continued to be active in AU. He will be greatly missed. A condolence card and a \$50 donation was made to Guy's favorite charity.

- Today's General Meeting – Due to Jim Atieh absence, and Tom Donch being unable to today's General meeting, Past President Harry Bennett was asked to lead the today's General Meeting. Harry cordially accepted. Since today's General meeting is in the WRC Sanctuary the AU Band will not play. In addition, no coffee or food will be allowed into the Sanctuary. The doors open a Noon, and the meeting will start at 1:00 PM.
- September 2024 – General meeting pizza party – To encourage and stimulate increased attendance at the General meetings, the Board discussed having a welcome back end of summer/thank you to our members pizza party at the September General meeting. All Board members concurred therefore AU will supply pizza and soda for our members at the September General meeting.
- 2025 Board Nomination Committee – Doug Cooper is leading the 2025 Nomination Committee which will review, critique, and select open positions need to fill the 2025 AU Board. To date, Doug has recruited four members for the 2025 Nomination committee. Only one additional member is needed. Both Mike Kelley and Rich Bernarde have served three years, which is the maximum allowed under our established procedures. Scott Japko decided not to go forward on the AU Board. For 2025, the Board needs a new Second VP, Treasurer, Asst-Treasurer, and Secretary.
- 2025 AU Budget – Treasure Mike Kelley informed us he will have the 2025 AU Budget prepared and ready for the complete Board's review.
- Membership – Jim Webb advised that at the month end June 2024, we have 315 members.
- Speaker Program – Today, our own Jack Warren will do a presentation about music from the Great Depreciation and World War II. In August, there is no General meeting scheduled. In September, two representatives from The Vista in Wyckoff for present "Downsizing Your Home."
- The Board meeting concluded at 11:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Bernarde, Secretary