

November 3, 2017

Attending: Peggy Baldwin, Frank Barbara, Dave Everett, Betsy Weinschel, Keith Wells, Terri Wells, Erin Duckett, Crystal Ball, Christopher Jayne, Vanessa Campbell, Jean Barbara, Barbara Wells, Kurt Eckel, John Loyd, Donna Diaz, Mark Diaz, Kathleen Campbell, Glenn Ratcliff, Bob Campbell, Gary Crossey

**Secretary's Report:** Reviewed by email and approved by unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** Reviewed by email – Erin Duckett notes we have quite a few donations this month. Erin revises the MANNA report to include a second \$200 donation and \$50 credit for a meeting that Frank and Jean Barbara attended. Treasurer's Report is approved by unanimous vote.

New Business:

**Dance and annual fundraiser:** Terri Wells reports that the sponsorship goal was to double sponsorships from last year and we have surpassed the goal with \$6,400 in sponsorships so far. An ad will recognize our sponsors at \$500+ level in the Leicester Leader and the Weaverville Tribune. Diane Frisbee created our ads and posters as a donation.

Ticket sales are going on now. Money and stubs can be turned in December 1st at meeting or prior to Terri.

Meal volunteers are going well.

**Action: There is discussion and final approval to run the ad for two weeks to recognize our sponsors.**

**John Loyd and Terri Wells make a motion that we allocate \$200 for large stock pots. The motion is approved and John Loyd will buy the used stock pots.**

**Internet:** Mark Diaz reports that the cable is connected to the church and then AT&T will finish the work in the next week. The crew added a duct for installing lighting in the flag area for free. Terri Wells reports that we are under budget on the computers and desks.

Terri is coordinating volunteers for the internet open hours. We need more volunteers. The hours will likely be Sunday – 2 to 5; Monday – 10 to 6; Tuesday – 10 to 6; Wednesday – 4 to 8; Thursday – 4 to 8. There will be a training session for volunteers.

**Board Nominations:** Terri Wells, Cathy Phillips and Lisa Wells have rotated off the Board this year.

Terri Wells presented new nominations for the Board - Mark Diaz for his internet experience, Martha Ball for her communications role in Facebook and the email newsletter, Kurt Eckel for his non-profit experience. Keith Wells has agreed to be nominated as President for another year. Dave Everett has asked to step down from Vice President but remain on the Board. Christopher Jayne has agreed to be nominated as Vice President.

**Action: Dave Everett makes a motion that we approve the nominations. Nominations accepted. Voting will occur at the December meeting in accordance with the By-laws.**

**Veteran Project** – Vance Garrett suggests that we have a wall recognizing our veterans. Vance is willing to work on the project to get pictures, names and information on our veterans.

**Action: The tribute to veterans is approved.**

**Building Projects:** Frank Barbara has added a bulletin board outside for the community and SMCC to use. The mini-splits are moving forward for the youth room, the yoga room and the library. Frank got an estimate from Asheville Window and Door for all new storm windows in the three rooms getting mini-splits. Mini-split cost is \$9,000 for three units plus the cost of electrical wiring.

Frank is pursuing a quote for reglazing of all the windows in the future. There are ten broken panes that will need to be replaced. It would take 6 to 7 weeks to make and install the storm windows.

The floors in the youth room and the yoga room need to be refinished. Frank suggests keeping the historic look and screening the floor to add poly. Frank volunteers to do the refinishing work for the youth, yoga room and hallway. Cost would be in the \$500 range.

There are ongoing problems with a couple of toilets. Plumber Jason Conklin suggests that we get two new stronger flushing toilets. Each toilet is \$200 and Jason volunteered to install the toilets if we decide to change them.

Terri Wells met the energy audit people from Buncombe County and they approved our efforts.

**Action: The Board voted to purchase the two toilets.**

**Dave Everett suggests we need to respond to the grant in a timely manner and move forward with the grant funded work. Terri Wells makes a motion that we proceed with the grant work and the motion is approved.**

**Trash Pick-up:** Keith Wells suggests we need to pick a date for a community trash pick-up.

**Action: Dave suggests 11/18 for trash pick-up and we will meet at 9 a.m.**

**Frank Barbara will check on the cost of recycling and trash pick-up. Barbara Wells will check with the Fire Department about recycling.**

**Food Pantry:** Jean Barbara reports there were 18 more families in October. The numbers served are expected to increase in the future so there will be some rule changes to encourage one box only for each family and any second boxes picked up for delivery are limited to Big or Little Sandy Mush. Team meetings will be before the pantry. The team is looking into outside food sources and possible community food drives. Food pantry volunteers put in 75 to 100 hours per month.

**Action: Jean asks that if anyone thinks their church would be interested in a food drive to please talk with her.**

**School Reunion:** The reunion was successful and feedback was positive. Gary Crossey is thanked for creating beautiful invitations. The 2018 Sandy Mush Homecoming will be the first Saturday in October.

**Trunk or Treat:** The event went well with twice as many participants giving treats and about the same number of children participating.

**Book Club:** Betsey reports all is going well and community members can find the book the group is reading on the website or in the email.

**Sandy Mush 4-H Club:** Crystal Ball says the 4-H club is growing. Club has won numerous awards and trophies. Crystal would like to consider using a third-floor room at SMCC for a 4-H room. They would prepare it for their awards and trophies, keep their project materials there, work on projects and meet in the space. Crystal will coordinate the work among the 4-H parents and youth.

**Action: Motion made and passed to make every effort to accommodate 4-H in one of the third-floor classrooms as long as the space can be accommodated safely.**

The meeting is adjourned.