#### SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: July 18, 2014

Members in attendance:

Billie Orr, Co-Chair Ray Milewsky
Joy Chandler Jackie Fitzpatrick

Didi Johnson Joleen Metzler, Front Desk Mgr.

Betsy Lee Holly Nelson, Membership Coordinator

Debra McVey

Members not in attendance:

Jim DegenLori GaucherSue DegenPam MilewskyFran BlakelyKristy SnyderHarry ChandlerGreg Paydock, GMSusan EnglandMike Joyal, F & B Dir.

Cheryl Fernandez

Billie Orr called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

The Minutes of the June 20, 2014 meeting were approved.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

# Sue Degen, Event Coordinator

**Expo:** There appeared to be some confusion with people coming in for lunch and others coming into the Expo. Comment cards were submitted and collected. Comments were generally favorable. Sub-Committee members generally thought the event went really well. Some participants (table sponsors) thought the event should not be held every year while some members of the SEC thought it should because of all the new people moving into the Community. This frequency would showcase what Social memberships and Golf memberships were available. The golf table had very little participation, though. Discussion on event success, frequency, and time of year – spring might be better. It was noted that the very original EXPO's were open to the public in order to showcase the club.

### **Betsy Lee and Lori Gaucher, Event Coordinators**

Western Night, Sat July 26, 5:30 - 10:00, \$25 / \$30 inclusive: 120 signed up. Line Dances: Electric Slide, Cab Driver, Waltz. (Wednesday, 10:15 a.m. at Athletic Club). Betsy Lee may need some decorating assistance on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. (July 26). Ray, Pam, Jan and Jackie will assist in decorating. Will reserve table for Singles Club and possibly Line Dancers. Betsy has introduced "seat taken" cards for the event to be passed out when guests check in. These cards will serve to save patrons' seats while they mingle.

Check in: Staff should probably do it as money is involved. Might need a couple of volunteers. Greeter should be SEC member. Debra McVey volunteered for check in.

It was asked if a comparison of early sign up prices (\$25) vs after deadline sign ups (\$30) could be made. There was some confusion of Pre Pay vs. Pre Reserved. It can only be Pre-Reserve. Front desk can only process payment on the day of the event.

## Ray Milewski, Event Coordinator

Chili Cook Off, August 15, 5-8, \$14.95++: Ray will be meeting with Holly re event details. Entertainment for the event is Dr. Paul. So far we have 7 chili makers entered and we would like to have 9. Need SEC volunteers to serve chili. This year will be blind draw – servers will not know whose chili they are serving. It was suggested that contestants be given a badge which indicates they have entered a dish. This was turned down by the sub committee who does not want to draw attention to the contestants. It was also suggested a meeting with entrants to go over the rules of the competition. Also suggested that the chafing dishes be ready when entrants arrive with their chili. Ray will also be sure the contestants are fully aware of the "Rules of Competition"

The next Social Events Committee meeting is same day as Chili Cook Off. It will be a short meeting in order to prepare for the event.

Ray will send out a request for servers. This year servers will taste the chilis and vote prior to event start. Last year many did not have a chance to sample and/or vote.

# Jackie Fitzpatrick, Event Coordinator

Fashion Show, September 16, 11:30- 2, \$20 inclusive: Discussion on flyer. Flyer should be amended to say "Gluten Free/Vegetarian available upon request" to cover special dietary needs. Dessert offering? Discussion. Consensus yes – something small. Decoration: Not much available. One of the vendors has offered to add some merchandise to table display (mirrors). Jenny Longhorn is in as a vendor and possibly Chicos. We need more models – so far we have 6 (Teri Michelle will volunteer). Joy and Debra will do check in for the event. There will be no dressing in the Club House – models will dress in the Athletic Club. Models come out back door of AC and in front door of Club. Goal is to have models changing only twice. Sue Degen will oversee clothing. Salon Tru Blu will do makeup and hair. Jenny Longhorn could model one or two of her own outfits if necessary. NO STAFF per management rules.

We could possibly feed models before show – at a discount off the price of the meal. Models may be able to get a discount at the stores for modeling. Modeling is around the tables, not runway. Jackie to coordinate with Joleen for more models.

Some vendors may donate items for a raffle. Greg has offered possibly to do a basket with a dinner, couple bottles of wine, etc.

Flyer should say "Door Prizes" as we will be giving out tickets.

<u>Jim Degen, Event Coordinator</u> (Unanimously nominated by the Committee) **Dinner/Show with Mike Vax, October 3, 2014**. More details to follow.

Monte Carlo Night Recap: Tabled until next meeting.

Death by Chocolate: Tabled until next meeting.

**Social Events Committee Survey:** Survey Monkey. Billie and Lori are working on this. Tabled for next meeting.

**Comment Card:** We have had positive reports. Will need comment card for Western Night. Will be generic not specific to event. Will have to be edited to include food, entertainment. Also will need one for Chili Cook Off. It was suggested that comments card should be in a place where you check in or check out. A box for anonymity was suggested.

#### **OTHER OLD BUSINESS:**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Children's Halloween Party**: Need an event coordinator. Billie and Jan M will assist. It was suggested that Staff go the Junior Committee Chair (Nancy Smucker) to ask for volunteers to work with SEC volunteers in helping to man stations. Holly has decorations from last year. Good prizes last year and we should try and duplicate for this year.

Halloween is on a Friday this year. The suggestion was made to consider doing the Halloween Party on Thursday (October 30) evening or Friday afternoon. Discussion ensued with regard to classes in AC and timing of events downtown. Last year's event was on Sunday the week before Halloween. Event could possibly be held on Thursday (October 30) in Club House rather than AC. Holly will check on this and also check on Sunday before Halloween and will get the event on the calendar. Time for event: 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Blues & Bar-B-Que, Nov. 1: Greg has this event all arranged.

Do we want to hold any more events this year? Consensus is NO.

### 2015 winter events:

SEC Would like to put forward for calendar:

Red/White/Blue (Team USA Party)

January 24

Valentine's Day Feb. 14 -- Club event

Sock Hop/50s Party March 20 in combination with Party on the Patio

**Expo** (look at, redesign, possible Spring event))

Captain's Party April 25

**Food and Beverage Committee:** No Update as Greg Paydock was not in attendance. There was a Committee discussion of recent events and service. It was suggested an on-call system to prevent staff shortages. May be discussed further at next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Next Meeting: Friday, August 15, 9:00, The Club

Submitted by Jeanne Fletcher