

BELLA VITA MEN'S CLUB MINUTES

Wednesday March 4, 2009

President's Opening Remarks

President Bill Burdick opened the meeting following a presentation by Crowder Funeral Home representative, Tammy Guidry. Thirty members were present including one new resident, John Rodriguez. John has lived here one week and served in the Marines.

The Executive Council met and approved the contribution of \$200.00 to sponsor member Forrest Stewart in the upcoming MS 150 Bicycle Ride and to recognize member Murrell Rybiski who is afflicted with the disease.

Secretary's Report

February's Report has been posted to the BellaVita Men's Club Web Site.

Treasurer's Report

Billy Potter reported we began the month with \$1,944.60 and ended with a current balance of \$1,788.52. Black Jack Rita night expenses were \$254.09 and Income was \$225.00.

Veterans Report

John Kaltenbach reported that all persons who had flags last year and are unpaid will be contacted to see if they intended to renew for this year.

Past Events

Blackjack Happy Hour – Billy Potter reported 40 people attended. The club ended losing only \$29.09. It was a fun evening.

Breakfast Social Feb 7 - Bill Burdick reported this annual event to welcome all newcomers was well attended and that we need to continue this in the future.

Unfinished Business

Club house Ballroom Ceiling Fans – Roger Valdez reported he received three bids to install eight fans. Labor and wiring quotes ranged from \$1,800 - \$3,800. We would be furnishing the fans, which are very inexpensive, but have a lifetime guarantee with Home Depot. The recommended vendor and request will go to the HOA for approval.

BVMC Minutes – continued

BVMC Election Candidates – the list of eligible candidates was read. Each will be contacted regarding their interest in being nominated for the open positions. The election will take place in April and the new regime will be installed at the May meeting for a term of 11 months.

St. Patty's Day Change – Benny and Donna Raines will be unable to chair the event this year. At the latest advisory meeting it was suggested that the date be used as an appreciation party and all four organizations will split the costs. Bill Burdick handed out the new flyers for this Pre-St. Patrick's Day Celebration as a Token of Appreciation. Cris Barrera has volunteered to cook the "steaks".

Gumbo Cook-Off – Date for this event has changed to May 3. Six to eight teams are needed. Teams should sign up by March 24. Last year \$300.00 was awarded in prizes. The prize money was donated by Master Air and Houston Lawn (Brandon).

New Business/Open Forum

There was a discussion on removing the ramp to the stage to accommodate more storage space. This is not possible due to requirements for Lennar to provide handicap access to the stage.

Happy Hour/Wii – Bill Burdick said that there will be a monthly Happy Hour and Wii games on the first Fridays to see if this will be a worthwhile event.

Upcoming Events

St. Pat's / Appreciation Party_March 14 @ 6pm –all clubs sponsoring.

Spaghetti Night April 25 – Chairmen will be Cris, Roger and Richard Wach. Tickets will be sold at the club house. This is a money making event.

Announcements

BVHOA Board Elections and Meet the Candidates meetings. Annual Meeting March 28-new board will be announced.

Video concert March 27 @ 7pm

Happy Hour and Wii Night March 6 @7pm

JSC Credit Union will set a date to present what the credit union offers our residents.

The meeting was adjourned. Richard Wach won \$27.00 in the split the pot raffle.

