

Alano Club Business Meeting
Friday, February 13, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.

Minutes

Attendees

Jamie C	Rhea S
Jim L	Sean A
Kathy H	Tim C
Kim R	Tom T
Murray H	

JANUARY 16, 2015 MINUTES

Tom T opened the meeting and distributed the Minutes of the January 16, 2015 Alano Club Business Meeting.

Kim R moved THAT:

MOTION: The Minutes of the January 16, 2015 Business Meeting be adopted as read with the amendment on page 3 stating “Kim R reported that he paid \$300.00 for a 3-year subscription for the North Vancouver Alano Club name” be revised to READ “Kim R reported that he paid \$300.00 for a 3-year subscription to be reimbursed which has now been reimbursed.” and that the Minutes of the January Business Meeting be re-posted and emailed to the Members of The Alano Club.

Seconded by Tim C. Unanimous. **CARRIED**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Tom T presented the Financial Report.

There is \$6,695.00 in the General Account and \$1,995.00 in the Gaming Account. The Alano Club receives an average of \$325.00 each week from the Bingo proceeds. From this amount payments go towards the salary of a bingo staff member, custodian services, accountant and rent. The Bingo Jackpot account has \$1,095, and the Jackpot payout is now at \$440.00.

There is one \$5,000.00 GIC due March 18th, one April 17th and one on May 18th. This will help to pay the expenses in April, May and June. In June the \$20,000.00 GIC matures and will be deposited into the Gaming account. Due to the principal and interest received in June from the matured GIC will pay the expenses. Most revenues from July to October will be for the benefit and use of the Club.

This month shows a slight loss. The cost of refurbishing the pool table was \$1,100.00 rather than the \$1,000.00 agreed upon at the January 16th, 2015 Board Meeting which included the purchase of necessary accessories. The increase in cost related to the actual size of the pool table.

GRAND RE-OPENING AND EVENTS AT THE ALANO CLUB

Various ideas were discussed with respect to the Grand Re-Opening of The Alano Club. Suggestions included a ribbon cutting ceremony, keynote speaker, games area open and functional, as well as there being no charge for the dinner for Members.

To increase the interest in this event, the Club needs to be promoted during non-meeting times. This could be accomplished by hosting Sporting Events such as Canucks games, Hockey playoffs (first two rounds every night) as well as Football games. It was also suggested that the Canucks schedule be posted. Jamie C advised that hockeydraft.ca produces sheets that can be passed out to individuals to fill out their picks. A football pool could be set up whereby individuals could come into the Club once a week to submit their picks. Jamie C will report his findings at the March 20th Board meeting.

ACTION: Jamie C to investigate the possibility of providing sporting pools at the Alano Club and report back at the March 20, 2015 Board Meeting.

The question of whether or not a policy should be in place whereby only food and beverages purchased at the Club would be allowed at the Alano Club. It was decided that this policy would not be enforced until the Club was fully operational and this policy would exclude meetings held in the various rooms.

Kim R reported that the Super Bowl party was a resounding success. Approximately 50 people attended and not only enjoyed the game, the chilli and the snacks provided, it also provided a great opportunity for fellowship.

Although the Club has gone through a dramatic change, it could be further enhanced with the purchase of new carpeting and chairs in the foyer and the removal of the artificial plants. Tom T will report back at the March Business Meeting with the estimates for replacement of the carpet and chairs.

ACTION: **Tom T to provide an estimate of the replacement of the carpet and chairs in the Foyer at the March 20, 2015 Business Meeting.**

Kim R moved THAT:

MOTION: **The Grand Re-Opening take place in October 2015 with the date to be determined within the next two months.**

Seconded by Tim C. Unanimous. **CARRIED**

CLOSING COVERAGE

Kim R advised that Board of Director Volunteers are needed to open the Club and stay until closing.

Murray H agreed to act as an alternate Director if he were available and Kathy H will provide coverage on Tuesday if required. There is a potential for Tim C or Tanja P to cover on Monday evenings.

GOLF TOURNAMENT – JUNE 19, 2015

Tim C distributed the list of Potential Sponsors / Donors. The Port of Vancouver has an online application form. It was suggested that the Club ask for \$300.00 for each of the four prize holes. Tom T to talk to GM regarding the “Hole-in-One” car as well as the insurance.

There will be a minimum entry of \$125.00. Tom T will print business cards for Tim C which incorporates The Alano Club logo.

Once all the details have been finalized a Poster will need to be produced as well as the promotion of the event and ticket sales.

WEBSITE

Kim R reported that the website was fully operational. Information can be added or deleted from this website instantaneously. A special thank you goes to Alyssa R for all her hard work in establishing and updating the website. The cost for the website thus far is \$1,000.00.

MEMBERSHIP

Tom T reported that The Alano Club has 81 members and is waiting for one renewal. There is a possibility that this number will reach 100 by the end of June. When the Club reaches 125 members, a new Membership Board will need to be purchased at a cost of approximately \$500.00.

A question was raised as to whether events should be open to everyone or only to the Members. This could be an incentive to become a Member of the Club or it could also hinder the number of attendees at an event. It was suggested that until the Club is fully operational, it should be open to everyone.

VOLUNTEERS

A Pre-Volunteer request has been emailed to the Members of the Club. It was suggested that actual pictures of Volunteers be taken and included in the message and posters erected with the additional inserts.

A signed letter will be required by the Volunteers that have agreed to have their pictures included in the email and posters releasing any liability brought to the Club.

CONTRACTS

Kim R moved THAT:

MOTION: All contracts signed on behalf of The Alano Club are signed by the President and one Director.

Seconded by Jim L. Unanimous. **CARRIED**

SHAW CABLE

Tom T reported that the cable has been changed from a Monthly Plan to a 3-Year Plan which will save \$15.00 a month. Kim R announced that the Club now has WFI. Telus requires a password and only 8 will work at one time. The PA system is now completely independent from the TV. The speakers have been re-wired and the sound is now routed through the receiver and speakers.

CAFETERIA

The Vancouver Coastal Health licence for the Cafeteria expires on March 15th. As wholesome food attracts people, the Club needs to be consistent and the selection of items offered increased. Suggestions included French onion soup, chicken strips, meat pies, and appetizers that could be served in 15 minutes. As these food items are frozen there is virtually no wastage.

PAINTING / CLEAN-UP

The Club has accepted the services of a student for general duties. His hours will be credited to his current school program.

BINGO

Sean A reported that the food and beverage revenue on Bingo night was low. Kim R commended Sean A for his time and effort in keeping the Cafeteria open during Bingo night.

KARAOKE

There will be a Karaoke Night following the North Shore Live Meeting on Saturday, February 21st. Richard F will be coordinating this event.

IN LOVE WITH SOBER – VALENTINE`S DAY DANCE – FEBRUARY 14TH

Rhea S reported that there will be a \$5.00 cover charge at the door. Volunteers are required to decorate the room. The Valentine`s Day accessories have been purchased which can be used in following years.

Kim R motioned to adjourn the Meeting seconded by Jim L.

NEXT MEETING

The next Business Meeting will take place on Friday, March 20, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.