

# **Adventurers' Club of Los Angeles**

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, September 12, 2022

# Club Officers (4)

President, Mr. Rich Mayfield

2nd Vice President, Mr. Steve Wightman

Treasurer, Mr. Steve Lawson

Secretary, Mr. Andrew Medina - arrived late

# Directors (4)

Mr. Reymundo Perez

Mr. Lance Miller

Mr. Rob Quist

Mr. Jeffrey Holmes

# Past Presidents (1)

Mr. Alec Shumate

# Guests (2)

Larry Stern

Craig Caryl

# Meeting called to order by Rich at 7:26 pm

Alec hosted dinner from Islands Minutes from August 22 approved 8-0.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Proposed Complementary Tickets for Tiki Night: Ken and Gloria (if they come), Bobby Green, Phoebe, Speaker +3 more, for a total of 8 possible comps.

Approved 8-0

- B. Raise price for dinner by \$5: Net revenue from meals & bar only about \$500 YTD, whereas it S/B closer to \$6000 YTD. Attendance is high and this lower net due to increased cost of food, labor, etc. Alec recommends that this be tabled and discussed at Business Meeting.
- C. Significant number of people don't buy dinner and/or don't go into Chase Hall for program, but rather stay in the bar. Discussion on imposing a requirement that all guests be required to buy dinner. If no dinners are available, then guests S/B required to pay a \$10 cover charge/entrance fee. **Motion adopted**. Also, it was approved that a "rope barrier with a closed sign" be installed after dinner closing off the dining room and bar during the program.
- D. Brief Board discussion regarding an issue between the House Manager and the Kitchen Staff. This issue was resolved between the parties at the time of occurrence.
- E. Lengthy discussion regarding a letter prepared by Rich regarding a proposed disciplinary action against one member.

Member disciplinary hearing moved to have formal hearing, motion did not pass. The Board did not choose to pursue disciplinary action against the member. A copy of the complaint will be placed in a sealed envelope along with a paper copy of these meeting minutes.

Motion to resolve in the following way. Sponsors are going to talk to member offline. 3 letters will be entered into file:

- 1. Secretary describing board deliberation
- 2. Rich's original letter
- 3. Rebuttal letter at his option

Resolved with no action taken

Motion did not pass

For 6 - Against 3 - Abstention 1

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### 1st VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Member showcase in the near future - need to bring something to show and tell about. People are stoked.

Possible member outing to the Magic Castle with past speaker who is a member look up name.

Speakers are still coming in through later in the year.

## 2nd VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tiki night coming up, more discussion to come.

All AC units working

Pests under control

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Please see Steve L.'s report for additional information.

#### SECRETARY REPORT

Meeting minutes are up to date in the Members Only section of the website.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Insurance application

Move to accept coverage with no additional options

10 For - 0 Against - 0 Abstentions

Issue of admitting qualified women to membership

Leverage data to start making smart informed decisions about recouping money lost from membership turnover. Lengthy discussion about process and procedures to bring an amendment before the membership.

## Pros

- make membership more exclusive by allowing more people to apply. Men who are currently reluctant to apply because we don't allow women may be encouraged to apply. Minority groups will be more encouraged to apply. Idea of traveling and adventure is no longer purely a male pursuit, maybe the club should reflect the changing position of women in adventure. Makes us look better, stronger, and can lead into the next 100 years.
- Gather data, form committee to gather data.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Kevin Merrill - admitted to full active membership as number #1234. 10 for - 0 - against - 0 abstention

Dinner refund policy. Advance thither and fornicate thyself.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

9:23 unanimously voted to adjourn.