



# Board Meeting Minutes

Date: January 13, 2006

Held at: home of Director Dave McNiell

**Meeting Commenced at 8:00 p.m.**

## Next Board Meeting

Next Board meeting to be held at Vice President Bill Sneekes' home 507 Chester Street, London on Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

## Foundation News

Pres Scott Houston informed those present that the annual Tara "Boom" Houston Foundation Fun and Flair Evening has been postponed from its original January date until May 06, 2006. Also please see Events item "C".

## Annual Quad and Sled Raffle

It was announced that the winner of the children's quad was Loretta Rinas and the winner of the children's snowmobile was Brian Bell. It was thought that these were fitting winners as Loretta and her family give a great deal of support to all our ventures and that the Ford Plant and its employees always can be counted on for their support as well. It should be noted that 4 out of the six winners of this raffle have been from the Ford Plant in St Thomas. Once all expenses had been paid out we raised \$2,747.75 which was an improvement from last years raffle. It was put forward to the board members present as to whether we should do this again.

Agreed  
by  
majority

## Christmas Family Sponsorship

The board members were told of the overwhelming appreciation from the family which we sponsored for a Christmas hamper this year. Past President Sheri Houston stated what a wonderful job Deb Brown did on our behalf in taking care of all the food and gift purchases for this.

## Annual Baseball Tournament

Scott informed us that at this time there was no new information regarding this event and that he believed Chairperson and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Steve Hamilton had not been in contact with the city as yet to reserve the ball diamonds.

Steve

## Bingo

Although Chairpersons Lori Atkins and Steve Hamilton were not present at this meeting it was explained to the board members that the original amount we were lead to believe we would be raising at this function was falling short of the actual amount we raised for each bingo. Although at this time we are unsure as to the nature of this discrepancy Scott Houston, and Steve Hamilton will be attending a general meeting for all volunteers Saturday January 14<sup>th</sup> and would then inform the board of their findings

Scott  
Steve

## 2005 – 2006

### President

Scott Houston ✓

### Vice President

Bill Sneekes ✓

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Steve Hamilton

### Secretary/Treasurer

Kelly Bender ✓

### Directors

#### 2 yr term

Brad Brunskill ✓

Dave McNiell ✓

Joseph Danowski ✓

#### 1 yr term

Karen Hayes ✓

Bruno Neale x

Alisa Devries ✓

### Past President

Sheri Houston ✓

**Events and Programs Upcoming and Ongoing**

- a) It was again discussed that our Club would be hosting the District meeting to be held on Tuesday January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006 at the CAW Hall. It is to commence with cocktails at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:00 p.m. and district business to follow. It was discussed that we would make this a theme styled event and after much discussion of ideas it was agreed that it would be a hat theme.

Agreed  
to by  
all

Vice President Bill Sneekes mentioned that he knew of someone that had had this type of event before and may be able to obtain some "different" styles of hats for the evening. It was thought that perhaps we should have 40-60 hats on hand for this event and the board was asked to see what if any hats they may have to donate for the evening

Bill

- b) With Super Bowl Sunday coming up Scott informed those present that the CAW Hall which kindly donates our meeting space is holding a Super Bowl Party. It was thought that it would be a small gesture of thanks that we have a presence their to help with this event as they, the CAW, are using it as a fund raiser for a local girl, Stephannie Simmons. It was put forward as to how many tickets we were willing to commit to and it was decided that 20 tickets (or two tables) would be sufficient.

Agreed  
to by  
majority

It was also put forward that we as a Club would donate \$500.00 toward their fund raising efforts.

Agreed  
to by  
majority

- c) Scott informed that board that the Tara "Boom" Children's Foundation has been accepted by the London Blues Society as a charity that they will support. Sheri informed those present that because of poor support shown by other charities for which they have sponsored events it would be in our best interest to support the Blues Society. Their next event is the Firehall Reunion and is to be held at Centennial Hall on Friday February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006. It was agreed that we would commit at this point to buying two tables at this event and we would then endeavor to find anyone willing to attend. As this has been a sold out event in the past those present were urged to commit as soon as possible in order that we may inform the Blues Society of the number attending.

Agreed to  
by All**Dues**

The board was informed by Secretary Treasurer Kelly Bender that at this point in time there were only 11 of the 43 members who had paid their dues for the 2005-2006 year. Scott has asked for a list of those members who have not paid at this time and he will contact them personally to remind them of the amount owing.

Scott

It was discussed that perhaps reminder notices should go to those owing as well. These will be printed and made available for the next newsletter.

Kelly

**Other Business**

Director Alisa Devries asked to speak with the board to discuss a possible donation. We were all informed that there is a woman, whose husband is a co-worker of Lori Atkins, that has been diagnosed with an aggressive and invasive cancer. There will be a fund raiser held for this woman and her family and Alisa asked those board members present if this was something that we, as a Club, wanted to commit to.

Agreed  
to by  
majority

It was put forward to the board for a vote as to whether or not we wanted to donate a \$100 item to their silent auction table. It was discussed by all and it was finally agreed to that a donation of an item with a \$75.00 value would be made. Alisa will be responsible for arranging for said item and arranging for it's donation on the Clubs behalf. Agreed to by all

**Meeting adjourned 9:03 pm**