

**RANCHO YOLO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 15, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Nancy Redpath called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** President Nancy Redpath, Vice President John Reuter, Treasurer Al Nitta, Secretary Marcella Chiarello, Mark Kalman, Elizabeth Lasensky, Barbara (Bobbie) Allison, and Mary-Therese Schweickert

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** John Knotts (deceased)

**GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE:** Bea Vincent and Don Sherman

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:**

**Recognition of John Knotts:** Nancy opened the meeting by expressing her sadness over the passing of Board Member John Knotts. She stated that he contributed much to the Board and will be sorely missed. His replacement will be by appointment and this will be discussed at the next Board meeting (June 5<sup>th</sup>).

She also stated that his memorial service is scheduled for the morning of June 10 at the Veteran's Cemetery in Dixon.

**Report on New Residents Orientation Presentation:** Nancy said that Robbie Fanning has reported that the Orientation for New Residents presentation was given on May 4<sup>th</sup> and was considered a success with a total of 33 in attendance, including 13 new residents, 11 "alumnae", and 7 helpers. She further reported that Robbie and Jerry Hallee intend to get together sometime soon to debrief and plan future sessions.

Nancy stated that, for everyone's information, she is scheduled to be away and unavailable the following dates: May 22-27, June 17-July 5, and July 15-27.

**APPROVAL OF March 13, 2019 MINUTES:** Elizabeth moved, and Mary-Therese seconded, that the minutes of the March 13<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting be accepted. The minutes were thus accepted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Al Nitta reported on the balances in the Yolo Federal Credit Union and Fidelity Investments as well as income and expenses for the month of April and Year-To-Date. (See Attached Report)

Al also reported that the Cinco de Mayo social event generated \$749 income, \$673.87 in expenses resulting in a profit of \$75.13. In addition, he reported that the Sunday Concert series generated an income of \$470, expenses of \$283.45 resulting in a profit of \$186.55.

Marcella moved, and Elizabeth seconded, to approve the Treasurer's Report.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- Mailbox labeling project: Target bag delivery with emergency info
- New Resident Orientation: approval of small budget for copying

- Postal Delivery Concerns: Jerry Hallee received no response from postmaster re April 3 letter; approval to write 2<sup>nd</sup> letter April 26 with copies to Garamendi, etc.
- Lapel microphone: approval of purchase (approx. \$35)
- Fouts Construction: resident meeting to explain proposed project across Pole Line at convalescent hospital site
- Thanks to Roz Johnson: greeters table, 2 floor easels, many Halloween decorations, candle centerpieces
- Thanks to Aggie Ward: larger, more powerful microwave for kitchen
- Thanks to Robbie & Tony Fanning: exercise ball and office chair

Elizabeth moved, and Mary-Therese seconded, to accept the Consent Calendar. The motion passed.

## **ASSOCIATION MEMBER COMMENT PERIOD**

Don Sherman reminded everyone of the June 10<sup>th</sup> memorial service for John Knotts at the Dixon VA cemetery. It was suggested that, with the approval of Dianne Knotts, that this information be put out on the Discuss List.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Government Liaison:** Elizabeth reported that on Tuesday evening, May 21<sup>st</sup>, at the Davis City Council meeting, on behalf of the Senior Center, she will be presenting a proclamation declaring May as Older Americans month. She stated that it would be nice to have good showing of Rancho Yolo residents there and that she will put out something about this on the Discussion List.

Nancy reported on the progress that Jerry Hallee has made with respect to communicating with the Davis Post Office regarding our mail delivery problems. Jerry reported that the Postmaster told him that they are working on eliminating “auxiliary” routes so that all mail customers will eventually have a regular mail carrier. The Postmaster will keep in touch with Jerry and Jerry will draft an update on this subject for the RY Newsletter.

**Social:** Elizabeth reported that the Tim Holt as Pete Seeger concert was a success with 46 attendees, an income of \$470 and expenses of \$283.45 resulting in a gain of \$186.55. She also reported that the next concert, Backyard Swing, is Sunday at 2:00.

Future events include:

June 9<sup>th</sup>, on the lawn, Anderson/Graham duo. \$5.00 for 2 slices of pizza and a bag of chips and water and lemonade.

July 14<sup>th</sup>: Misner and Smith concert

July 28<sup>th</sup>: Meet & Greet sponsored by the Board. Looking into a food truck. Juanita and Dale providing ice cream truck.

Nancy reminded everyone that the calendar of social events can be found on the website.

**Facilities:** Mark reported that he and John Burmester are actively communicating regarding facilities issues (light bulbs, etc.). Al stated that the A/C system (unit to the left of the stage) is not working and this needs to be addressed. Also, a usb hub is needed in the computer area. Bobbie also stated that the steps in the hot tub area appear to be cracking and the timer is not functioning well.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**RYCA Tax Status Update:** Al reviewed the history of the tax status of the RYCA with both the CA Franchise Tax Board and the federal IRS. We have been informed by the FTB that we are approved for nonprofit recognition under 23701(g) (Social and Recreational Organization). We expect to receive an exempt determination letter of approval from them.

With respect to the IRS, they have informed us that we need to file a form 1024-A with a \$600 fee in order to process us as a tax exempt 501c4 organization. Then every subsequent year we will need to file a simple postcard type form to keep our tax exempt status.

Everyone agreed that Al deserved much praise and kudos for all his steadfast work in researching this issue.

Elizabeth moved, and Marcella seconded, to approve a check to the IRS in the amount of \$600 in order to reinstate our nonprofit, tax exempt status. The motion was approved.

Al stated that he intends to document for posterity the history of RYCA's tax exempt status.

**RYCA Insurance Update:** John Reuter gave a summary update on where we are with respect to D&O (Directors & Officers) insurance and general liability insurance. After discussion, it was agreed that our current D&O insurance policy with Duff Devine was inadequate and too costly for what it provides. We should however, look into general liability insurance for the Board and keep gathering information and quotes for such a policy.

John Reuter moved, and Al seconded, not to renew our D&O insurance through Duff Devine since it is expensive and the coverage is not adequate or appropriate for our needs. The motion was approved.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT:** Nancy adjourned the meeting at 5:24pm.

**NEXT RYCA BOARD MEETING:** June 5, 2019, at 4:00 pm in the RY library.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcella Chiarello, Secretary