FAN Board Minutes - November 17, 2015

Attending: Sue Behnke, Margaret Burgess, Sherry Dunn, Lin Fish, Markett Harkinson, Carol Huddleston, Judi Jeske, Barbara Kerr, Mona Malone, Char Marks, June McMillin, Linda Neibel, Sharon Plescia, Pat Quackenbush, Sharon Schumann, Idalia Skates, Jackie Stamates, Trish Torgersen

Call to order from President Markett Harkinson at her home at 10 am.

Announcements. Markett reminded attendees that they can park in her neighbor's drive, to silence phones, and no side conversations so all can hear.

Approval of Minutes. Mona Malone moved to approve the October board minutes. The motion was seconded by Linda Neibel and passed.

VP-Programs. Carol Huddleston noted the January general meeting program will feature state representative Patricia Harless speaking about legislative activity. Markett noted members generously donated around \$200 to Texas EquuSearch following its presentation.

VP-Membership. Pat Quackenbush announced membership is now 280, including 2 new. She is researching improved board name tags that will not damage delicate fabrics.

Treasurer. Sherry Dunn reported that with holiday luncheon deposits into the bank account, the bank balance is \$13,055.48.

Newsletter. Sharon Plescia circulated the upcoming December/January newsletter.

Historian. Reminder from Mona Malone to submit photos from groups and activities.

Cookie Exchange. Sharon Schuman noted there are a few spots left.

Holiday Charity Luncheon. Trish Torgersen recognized Lin Fish for an awesome job coordinating the charity selection process. Carol Huddleston displayed ceramic ornaments which will be favors. The committee will meet following board meeting.

Directory. Sherry Dunn said there should be enough to get through year without additional printing.

Day Trips. Lin and Idalia reviewed the very enjoyable Mystery trip.

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Greeters. Char asked for and received many suggestions for lunch places for 2016 after general meetings.

Spring Luncheon. June McMillin continues to develop plans.

Overnight trips. Margaret Burgess reported 22 have signed up for the Grapevine trip which will include a complimentary tour from visitors bureau, evening lighted Christmas parade, Friday 11 am winery visit.

Socials. Linda Neibel announced a social booked for Saturday, January 16, \$28 per ticket at Sam Houston Raceway Park which includes entrance and buffet. Can invite non-members. 90 attended last year. A May social is being considered.

Sunshine. Judy Jeske noted she sent many cards and flowers during October.

Website. Barbara Kerr reported that the website and Facebook page are doing well. Many photos from the mystery day trip were posted on Facebook.

Old Business. Markett was pleased that the revised by-laws were approved at the November general meeting. They will be published in the 2016-17 Directory, and the website will list extended board duties. Committee to meet after board meeting to approve extended board revisions. The Nominating Committee will be formed in January. Next board meeting is on January 19 (none in December).

Adjourn. With no further business, Judi Jeske moved to adjourn at 10:42 am, which was seconded by Sharon Schumann and passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary Trish Torgersen