TYP356ne Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

May 3, 2022

1. 6 PM Call to order by Microsoft Teams Video Conference. No physical meeting.
2. Membership Report by Carl Luck: Paid Members: 170. We have one lifetime member that does not pay.
3. Financial Report: Georg Becker-Birck: Cash Balance in May = $6,047.13 after all Swap meet expenses were paid.
4. Website Coordinator/Event Calendar Report by Allen Sisson: The entire 2022 and first 2 months of 2023 Club Schedule of Events is now on the Club website.
5. Newsletter Report: Ed Tobolski: Tub Times was sent out on May 2, 2022. The next Tub Times will be in June.

**Old/Ongoing Business:**

1. As of April 27, 2022, 28 people in 14 rooms have booked at the Kitzhof Inn for the Spring Tour on June 3-5, 2022. We do have enough for the discounted room rate. Allen Sisson will send out another announcement in late May.
2. The Swap Meet with the Taco Truck on April 23, 2022, at Peter and Joyce Thompson’s was a big success for 50 members. The Taco Truck was well liked. The cost of the Truck and rental was $2,143.06
3. Ed Tobolski has held the Saturday, 9/11/22 date at Lake Pearl for the 2022 Club Day event from 9 am to 1 pm. The $1,000.00 deposit has been paid. They require a $1600 food minimum as well as $500 room set up fee. They have sent menu options to Ed, to be reviewed next meeting.
4. We should not try to try to Contact Alex Finnegan again about a Paul Russell tour this year. With the new COVID-19 increase he will not want to have a tour this year.

**New Business:**

1. Bob DiCorpo will promote the Don Radeos tech session for May 21, 2022, which is our only May Club event.
2. It was mentioned in the Tub Times in the President’s message and Editor’s Note that the Club might consider having a food truck at the swap meet each year since it was popular. It was only affordable this year as we did not have the Holiday Party. The club cannot afford to have the Holiday Party, Swap Meet Truck and Club Day in the same year unless we have members pay something for Club Day, pay something for the food truck at the swap meet, or increase the dues. Members pay for the Holiday Party. The breakdown is this:

Income each year is 170 members x $28.46 in dues = $4,838.00 income each year.
Income in sponsorship payments is 4 sponsors x $70.00 = $280.00

Income from badges = $100.00 a year approximately

**Total Income = $5,218.00**

Expenses Holiday Party would have been $2,901.25 this year – 55 attending paying $35.00 each = $976.25 paid by the Club

Expenses for the taco truck and rental for swap meet = $2,143.06

Expenses for Club Day = $2,426.05

Expenses for Tech Sessions = $376.01

Expenses for Tours = $329.84

Insurance Expenses = $350.00

Web Site = $216.75

Postage and office supplies = $100.00 approximately

**Total Expenses without the Taco Truck = $4,774.90. That is a surplus of $435.10 each year.**

**Total Expenses if we also have the Taco Truck = $6,917.96. That would be a deficit of $1,699.96 a year.**

The club cannot run a deficit. The options are:

1. No more taco truck after this year
2. Charge members $35.00 each to attend Club Day. If we have 50 attending = $1,750.00 in income to cover the deficit.
3. Charge members $17.50 each to attend Club Day and for the taco truck with 50 attending each gets the same $1,750.00
4. Eliminating the Holiday Party and keeping the taco truck is not an option since that leaves us with a deficit of $723.71.

The truth is the fairest thing for all members is to make the members attending Club Day and using the taco truck pay something like they do for the Holiday Party since members not attending have been subsidizing Club Day and the taco truck. Members have been paying a donation, generally about $10.00 each, to attend Club Day that we have given to charity. That donation will have to stop if we keep the taco truck.

The Club could possibly pay for the truck, generator, and staff fee for the truck = $700.00 and members pay the $23.50 each for the tacos, chips/salsa, and drinks if we stopped using PayPal which costs us $261.80 a year if all members pay that way.

It is likely asking members to pay for Club Day and pay for a food truck is not going to be popular. Probably eliminating the food truck is the best plan unless members express a willingness to pay $17.50 each to attend both events they currently do not pay to attend.

It was decided that the Board will reassess having a food truck at the Swap Meet at its February meeting, after the Holiday party costs are known and most of the dues have been paid.
As there are multiple food trucks in the Newburyport area, we can make a menu change next and possibly ask attendees for a contribution to cover the cost.

The option of not having the Holiday Party was discussed. This could save on costs. It was mentioned that at the party people spent too much time at a table and nobody is bringing their P-cars. The advantage of having the Holiday Party is that it typically brings spouses, and it is the only event in the winter. Without the Party there will not be an event form October to April.
As members pay for the Holiday Party, the financial outlay for the club is relatively small. It is a labor-intensive event however.
No Board action was taken.

1. There will be no Unobtanium Open House this year due to Covid worries.

The next board meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 7th, from 6-7 pm per Teams conference call.

6:35 Meeting adjourned

Attending:

1. Allen Sisson
2. Greg Lane
3. Ed Tobolski
4. Diane Mierz
5. Peter Venuti
6. Peter Thompson
7. Theo Kindermans
8. Georg Becker-Birck
9. George Kehler

Not Attending:

1. Carl Luck
2. Dennis McGurk
3. Tom Tate