

# Honeywell Retirees' Social Club of Arizona

## Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

1. Meeting was called to order by Ed Taschner at 2:00 PM.

The reported discussion topics are presented in the order they were addressed at the meeting.

2. Linda Darnell reported that the McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park ramadas were being rented at a fast pace. So she took the initiative to rent the Stillman Ramada on March 23, 2016 in advance of the Board's agreement. The rental fee for the ramada with beer privileges was \$100. This date along with the associated rental fee were approved by the Board at the meeting.
3. The proposed Secretary's Minutes for the 28 September, 2016, HRSC Board meeting was approved without revision.
4. Doug Metzger reported the completion and distribution of the HRSC Club's Financial Audit Process. This closed out a related action item from a prior Board meeting. In a separate related discussion, agreement was reached not to pursue an audit of the prior year's finances. However, an audit of the current club's fiscal year finances will be convened in May following closure of the 2016/17 club year. Ed Taschner accepted an [Action Item](#) to introduce this topic to the members in the 'President's Perspective' of the next Bridge issue.
5. Doug Metzger updated and retransmitted the HRSC Financial Report for September, 2016. Doug chose to re-introduce the report since the changes to the finances involved more than the simple addition of bank account interest to the report approved at the September Board Meeting. This revised financial report for September 2016 was approved by the Board during the current meeting.

In addition, Doug proposed a change the Board's financial review process from: trying to approve the current month's finances at the Board's meeting before the month closes; to reviewing the prior month's complete finances. This process change was approved by the Board since significant changes will frequently occur each month in the finances when the Board's meeting occurs prior to the close of the month. Case in point: This month multiple checks will be written to cover Oktoberfest expenses and Spring Picnic ramada rental fees after the Board meeting ends.

Additionally, Doug reported that he is working to resolve differences between the Treasurer's records and the Membership Database relative to the allocation of collected club dues to the various club fiscal years. While this will not increase the amount of funds on hand, it will resolve a discrepancy between the two databases relative to dues held for each year.

6. Dawn Orgill reported that an estimated 44 people attended the Oktoberfest and that the event should break even when considering net costs to the club.

Dawn then went on to question the necessity of the Oktoberfest in its current format, as an outdoor event where all aspects of the event were performed by a small team of club members. Dawn stated that the effort involved in putting on the event exceeded what the three women who put on this year's event anticipated, and that neither she nor Linda wanted to host future Oktoberfest events if some change is not made. After some discussion of possible changes, Ed assigned an [Action Item](#) to Dawn, Linda and Gwen to research possible changes and make a proposal to the Board at the next monthly meeting.

**In conjunction with the above discussion on future Oktoberfest, Mary Barkl pointed out that in return for Leigh Dechaine performing at the Oktoberfest events he is given both free admission to the event and club membership free of dues during the years he performs at the events.**

7. Ed Taschner relayed that no new developments in the Day-at-the-Races event had occurred since the prior Board meeting. The event remains on February 14<sup>th</sup> and cutoff for sign-up will be February 3<sup>rd</sup>.
8. Ed Taschner relayed that the also Cruise remains as previously stated with no indication yet that airfares will be reduced.
9. Ed Taschner introduced the subject of an Annual Membership Meeting. The discussion that followed questioned the necessity and value of the meeting. Ed has assumed responsibility for this event and will investigate it further.
10. Dawn Orgill updated the Board on the Scholarship Foundation progress. Dawn pointed out that the Garrett Club is way ahead of the HRSC in contributions to the Foundation scholarship funding. The Foundation team is looking for ways they can focus on the HRSC membership to get more contributions from that club's membership.

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During the discussion of the Garrett Club's support, Ed pointed out that the Garrett Club holds 8 monthly membership meetings with significant participation. The meetings generally follow a pattern of 1 hour social and 1 hour speakers on any number of topics of interest to the membership. Ed suggested that one reason for the Garrett Club's increasing contributions is that GRC leadership discusses the Scholarship program at every Members' Meeting. This increases visibility to the Foundation and the Scholarship Program leadership of HRSC. The meetings generally follow a pattern of 1 hour social and 1 hour speakers on any number of topics of interest to the membership. Some of these meetings are supported by current Honeywell executives. The possibility of HRSC members attending these meetings as well was believed agreeable to the Garrett Club membership.

11. Doug Metzger reported that he had been contacted about another Fix-up event. However, Doug is forced to decline participation by the HRSC since the event is simply too near-term for any support to be organized. Doug is pursuing information on a Honeywell sponsored Make-a-difference event in the spring that more closely fits the timing and nature of event the HRSC could support.
12. Darrel Golic raised the subject of the secure By-Laws source with a Flash Drive proposal. The ensuing discussion clarified that the secretary is free to select other source locations such as the existing Club web site as long as the Board agrees that retention of the By-Laws is secure. A recent email from Kevin relative to the security of the HRSC Website was raised, but very few at the meeting were aware of its content. Darrel took the [Action Item](#) to redistribute the email to the Board. The original action item for the Secretary to identify a secure By-Laws retention site acceptable to the Board remains open.
13. Darrel Golic requested listings of the Garrett Club and Sperry Club Officers and their email addresses. This information is necessary to update the VIP distribution of the monthly Bridge to the other club's officers.
14. Mary Barkl reported that the Joint Christmas Party Plans have been formalized. The HRSC is asked to contribute \$150 for Gift Card prizes and \$150 toward the cost of the band. This \$300 total was approved by the Broad for this year. However, since the cost to the HRSC is greater than the event allowance in the current Club budget, the Board took an [Action Item](#) to evaluate the value of this event prior to establishing a budget estimate for the next club physical year.
15. Ed closed the meeting at approximately 2:40pm.

[Note: The next HRSC Board Meeting is planned for 2:00 PM, 23 November 2016 at BJ's Rest. & Brewery,](#)

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### Board Record of Attendance – 2016 -2017 Season

August 31, 2016

NOTE: Board absences are tracked in accordance with HRC By-Laws, Article VI, ¶ 2G

Officers & Directors			Yes	No	Comments	# Absences
Ed	Taschner	President	✓			
Doug	Metzger	Treasurer	✓			
Linda	Darnell	Vice-President	✓			
Mary	Barkl	Past-President	✓			1
Linda	Gregerson	Director (2019) & Editor	✓			
Kevin	Harris	Director (2018) & Web Master	✓		Early departure	2
Gaylord	Brockway	Director (2019)	✓			1
Dawn	Orgill	Director (2018) & Scholarships	✓			2
Gwen	Scheetz	Director (2017) & Scholarships		✓		1
Darrel	Golic	Secretary & Membership	✓			
Bala	Visvanathan	Director (2017)	✓		Late arrival	2
			✓		<i>Quorum Achieved</i>	

#### Non-Voting Staff

Barbara	Rippstein	Cruises		✓
Vic	Fragrito	Day at the Races		✓

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### Club Event Responsible Persons:

Event	Confirmed Responsible Individual(s)	Comment
Oktoberfest	Gwen Scheetz, Dawn Orgill, Linda Darnell	
Day at the Races	Vic Fragnito	
Caribbean Cruise	Barbara Rippstein	
Spring Picnic	Linda Darnell, Dawn Orgill, Gwen Scheetz	
Christmas Party	Mary Barkl	
Community Project	Doug Metzger	
Annual Membership Meeting	Ed Tashner	