**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Monday, August 15, 2022

6:30 PM, 75 Stutson St.

**Call to Order:** 6:35 pm

**Attendance:** Lindy Litwak, President; Tom Bruce, Vice President; Sue Roethel, Secretary; RoseMary Shaw, Treasurer; Patti O’Brien, Director; Tony Micciche, Director

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Welcome to Charlotte sign:** Patti became aware of a private sale on Ebay of one of our wooden *Welcome to Charlotte* signs, clearly identified in a photo. She contacted the seller and told him that the sign belongs to CCA and that two such signs were vandalized and stolen a few years ago. The seller said he bought it for $50 from an antique mall in PA. He said he would not re-sell it and would instead take it back to the antique dealer for a refund. He suggested that we contact the dealer to ask if we can get the sign returned to us. When it was new, the sign’s value was about $1,400, and in the photo it didn’t look damaged. Patti will contact the PA antique dealer to see if it could be returned to us. We all agreed, though, that the cost of shipping the large wooden sign might be prohibitive.
2. **Lighthouse gift:** Lindy gifted the Charlotte-Genesee Lighthouse Historical Society with a framed photo to commemorate the Lighthouse’s 200th anniversary. Lindy will be reimbursed for the frame that she purchased.
3. **MNBN:** Lindy & Tom attended a meeting of the coalition members and the City Council on 8/10/22 to discuss City-wide concerns about several issues—most prominently being safety and security concerns after the recent fatal shooting of RPD Officer Anthony Mazurkiewicz. In an email exchange with the board, Sue cautioned that we continue to participate with MNBN as a coalition member but that we remain calm and not political. Tom will attend future meetings to represent the CCA.
4. **Food & clothing drive; fundraiser offer:** We received through Facebook an email outreach from Jane Hinkley, owner of Rochester Vendors Club and coordinator of a clothing ministry for New Light United Methodist Church on Dewey Ave. She said the ministry serves people in our area and asked if we could make donations. She also offered to coordinate a fundraiser for us using her vendors. We need more information; Tom will contact her to follow up.
5. **Outreach to Abelard Reynolds School 42 & NE College Prep HS @ Charlotte Campus:** Patti and Barbara are meeting with the school principals soon and will continue to work through the Youth Engagement Committee on various initiatives to support the students, faculty and staff.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Board dismissal of Jonathan – closure:** Tom has reached out to him several times but has had no response yet.
2. **Housekeeping – handover of CCA property to Lindy & Tom:** Sue has files to transfer, and Tom offered to store them at 75 Stutson St. Patti reported that the printer (purchased in 2015) that she’s been using as Secretary is now broken, and to order replacement parts and have it repaired may cost more than a new printer. We agreed to let her dispose of it. Sue has her own printer at home and is willing to use that for Secretary needs, as long as CCA can replace toner and paper as needed. Jonathan has the laptop that Jeremy Cooney donated to the CCA; Tom will keep trying to contact Jonathan (see above) and retrieve the laptop.
3. **Community Outreach – 9/14 @ School 42, 5:30-7:30 pm:** Patti will bring the food handling permit. We have permission to set up at the back of the school. Patti will ask Bruce Wilder to provide flyers to send home with the 500 students they have. School 42 will donate drinks and snacks. We will provide hot dogs, buns, condiments. Anticipated cost of supplies is $250.
4. **Fundraiser – December 4 @ 75 Stutson St., 3-5 pm:** We previously agreed that a fundraiser is needed and we picked the day/time and venue. Since we don’t have any volunteers for programming, it’ll be up to the board to coordinate it. We will meet on 8/29 at 6:30 at 75 Stutson St. to plan and rebrand the previous iteration of “Best of Charlotte.”
5. **Outreach materials – door hanger and brochure:** The grant funds that are paying for this will expire at the end of 2022, so these items need to be ordered soon. The brochure needs some new images before order is placed. A plan for distributing the door hangers needs to be developed.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

* Month of July shows ending balance of $12,965.52, but with August expenses such as the two scholarships, the anticipated balance after that is about $9,000. Fundraising is needed!

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

**Upcoming Events**

9/12/22 General Meeting, 7 pm, Robach Community Center (Scholarship Awards Ceremony)

9/14/22 Community Outreach – 9/14 @ School 42, 5:30-7:30 pm

9/19/22 BOD Meeting, 6:30 pm, 75 Stutson St. (Principals from School 42 & NE College Prep HS