

Metro Board of Directors Meeting December 19, 2023

In attendance: Bosco Thurer, Arlene Rosenthal, Laurel Shoemaker, Jamie Benatti, Susan Scalise, Liz Byrne, Nancy Forberg

-Meeting was called to order at 7:34pm after some technical difficulties.

-A motion was made by Laurel and seconded by Arlene to accept minutes from November meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

-A motion was made by Nancy, seconded by Laurel to accept financial report as presented by Susan. (attached). Motion passed unanimously. Susan reported that we have \$1103 allocated for the memorial bench.

-A motion was made by Laurel, seconded by Bosco to accept membership report. Motion passed unanimously. Arlene reported that we have 201 members, and some have already renewed for 2024.

-Community Service hours for the month:

Bosco 16	Jamie 3	Liz 3
Susan 4	Laurel 3	
Arlene 3	Nancy 3	

-November Happy Hour/Food Drive Recap- Liz and Bosco reported that a significant amount of food (over 100 items) was collected despite the fact that the event was planned last minute. Liz delivered all the food to the pantry, and they were very grateful.

-December Happy Hour/Toy Drive Recap-

We collected over 100 toys for the John Thiessen Foundation. An additional \$192 was raised through raffle ticket sales and \$202 from donations for photos with Santa. A motion was made by Nancy, seconded by Jamie to donate the \$192 to the John Thiessen foundation. Motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Bosco, seconded by Jamie to donate the \$202 to John Thiessen. Motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Jamie, seconded by Liz to round up and donate \$400 to the John Thiessen Children's foundation. Nancy will contact Ed Kelly to see where to send the check. Nancy will also send a thank you note to the Snapper Inn for accommodating us for the event as this is the first event we have held there.

-Wreaths Across America- We had a nice turnout of volunteers for the wreath laying and ceremony. Thank you to member John Brown for leading this event. A motion was made by Jamie, seconded by Laurel to make a \$100 donation to Wreaths Across America. Motion passed unanimously.

-Bosco renewed the website security (GoDaddy) for \$239.98

-PHIP end of year report will be due soon.

Upcoming Events:

-January Happy hour/Clothing Drive, (1/20/24)Belfast GastroPub Lindenhurst

There is a band playing from 6-9. We will begin our event at 5:00. Liz needs to call Big Brothers Big Sisters to arrange a truck to collect the donations.

-Wreath Cleanup (1/20/24) Jamie will contact John Brown for details.

-February Happy Hour (2/17/24)

Tom Maxwell is playing at the Oar in Patchogue so Liz suggests we hold our event there. There was discussion of a possible cancer fundraiser or heart association fundraiser. Nancy will contact The Oar to see if they can accommodate us.

-Music On the Bay 2/28-3/4/2024 (not a Metro event) We have won the award for most members in attendance for the last few years. Bosco would like to organize a Metro photo op during the weekend. We will ask members who are attending to let us know.

-Memorial Bench Dedication- Joe Lombardi proposed the date of 5/18/24 and the town agreed. The board agreed to this date and Jamie will contact Joe to let him know.

Board Vacancies-

The ByLaws state that we need 5 members to conduct business. Arlene agreed to stay on until a replacement is found. Thank you Arlene! Bosco made a motion, seconded by Susan to appoint Arlene as interim membership director beginning 1/1/24

Next Meeting: January 9, 2024

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Forberg, Metro BOD secretary

METRO PARROTHEAD CLUB NOVEMBER 2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

CHECKING

STARTING BALANCE 11/1/2023

\$3,784.35

DEPOSITS

Membership 2Family \$ 70.00

Total \$70.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Total \$0

ENDING BALANCE 11/30/2023 \$3,854.35

PAYPAL

Starting Balance 11/1/2023 \$3,275.03

 Dues (2F, 5S) \$ 205.50 \$ 205.50

 Fees -\$ 10.57

 Mailchimp -\$ 14.12 -\$ 24.69

Ending Balance 11/30/2023 \$3,455.84