

Metro BOD meeting 9/17/24

Present: Bosco Thurer, Arlene Rosenthal, Elizabeth Byrne, Susan Scalise, Nancy Forberg

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm

Business:

-Motion made by Nancy seconded by Arlene to accept July and August meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

-Motion made by Bosco, seconded by Nancy to accept July and August financial reports. (attached) Motion passed unanimously.

-Motion made by Nancy, seconded by Liz to accept July and August membership reports. Motion passed unanimously. Arlene reports we have 167 members to date.

-Motion made by Nancy, seconded by Susan to appoint Lisa Benatti to the vacant VP position, and to appoint Tom Chivvis to the vacant Social Director position. Motion passed unanimously. Bosco will include this in next BW to make members aware.

Lisa Benatti and Tom Chivvis joined the meeting at 7:30 pm and were welcomed and congratulated by all board members.

Event Recap:

-Cornhole Tournament- 8/22/24 Was attended by 13 members and was lots of fun.

-New England Regional Convention : Labor day weekend. Was attended by 5 members who reported lots of fun. Hope to encourage more members to attend next year.

-Barometer Soup at Jones Beach Bandshell 8/31/24. Was attended by 29 members. We flew the club flag and the band gave the club several shoutouts! Great show!

Upcoming Events:

-9/21/24 : Happy Hour at Dirty Taco Smithtown. Music by Bobby Bahama. We will have a 50/50 for Alzheimer's Association. Liz will print flyers about the Walk. Bosco will bring table flags.

-10/1/24: Rock and Roll Bingo Social event at Eleanor's Bohemia. \$20 to play. Bosco will bring table flags.

-10/20/24: Walk to End Alzheimer's. Belmont State Park. Bosco will bring large club banner. The Alzheimer's web page has two teams listed for our club. Lisa will make calls to clarify this. Bosco will share donation link in BW. Liz will share donation link on

FB page. We will encourage those joining us on the walk to stay to socialize and have a picnic in the park.

-11/9/24 Happy Hour and Food Drive at Prost Garden City. We will have a basket auction. Liz will contact bar to arrange for tables for raffle baskets and will contact Long Island Cares to arrange pick-up of food donations.

-12/14/24: Toy Drive/Holiday Party for John Theissen Foundation at Snapper Inn, Oakdale.

Other discussion:

-PHIP Election: Each club gets one vote, and it was decided that Bosco will cast the vote for Glenn Atwell and Suzanne Calhoun.

-Craft Night- on hold as the craft that member Pat Snedcor will run is more of a summer craft. We could look into something suitable for winter holidays. Susan suggested simple ornament ideas and will look into other simple ideas, if we want to schedule a craft night in Nov/Dec.

-JB puzzle books. Nancy can order books at publisher discount which comes to \$5.50 per book. It was agreed that we would sell for \$12 each or 2/\$20 with proceeds going to Alzheimer's Association. Nancy made a motion to purchase 40 books (20 of each volume) Seconded by Liz. Motion passed unanimously.

-Liz made a motion, seconded by Bosco to reimburse Nancy \$60.00 for prizes at Cornhole event. Motion passed unanimously. There are still 4 Dunkin gift cards to be used at future events or raffles.

-Tom suggested we set up Club email addresses for board members. Bosco and Tom will work on this.

-Jamie Benatti will be organizing a Club meet-up at MOTM in Gulf Shores. Arlene will pass along names and contact info for members that have registered for MOTM so he can let them know about the event.

Next Meeting: 10/8/24 7:00pm

Meeting adjourned 9:02 pm

Submitted by:

Nancy Forberg, Metro BOD secretary

