

Los Ninos de Chapala y Ajijic A. C.  
Board Minutes, Tuesday, 8 July 2008  
La Nueva Posada, Ajijic

Directors/Officers Present: Bill Friend, Bill Wheat, Rick Feldmann, Pat Perceval, Frank Campbell

Audience: Day Dobbert

I. Meeting called to order at 10:15 AM by Bill Friend, President

A. Additions/corrections to the agenda: None

1. Minutes approved from meeting in June: Bill Friend/Second by: Bill Wheat

Motion to approve by F. Campbell

B. Treasurer's Report: Rick Feldmann stated that he had spoken with IJAS (Instituto Jalisciense Asistencia Social)

We have not spent our \$99,000 Pesos as of this date. We will have to make up \$30,000 plus, for budget.

1. Money Raising: Dragon Boat Racing: We need Four (4) major sponsors to buy the boats. I will visit boats tomorrow. Coca Cola is first on the list of sponsors. In Jan or Feb is our target date.

C. Special Reports:

1. Thrift Shop: Bill Friend reported that the shop is doing well. No further discussions.

2. Web site: Doug Friend was not present, however, Rick Feldmann reported that he had Pay-Pal up and running. 501-3C is still being processed.

3. Fund Raising: Pat Percival check list and is asking restaurants for partial profits of each day's receipts. One thought is that maybe we can give out jars for collecting coins, just some of the other organizations are doing. It would be our aim to place jars at all places of business. Pat also reported that Writers Group is starting movies, Monday, July 21st. All monies will be given to us for any child interested in writing. If it goes well, maybe once a month. \$50.00 Pesos for each movie.

Bill Friend stated that we have a group of lads who are interested in Creative Writing. We have a booklet. Additionally, Rick Feldmann asked that maybe we can have restaurants sell tickets. Selling tickets is always a problem with no ads. Maybe selling at LCS ticket booth is an answer. Maybe a Las Vegas Night. (Frank Campbell will talk with Norm Pifer.)

Rick Feldmann also stated that Yacht Club may do things for free. Blue Aguva may be a site to hold events. American Legion has been up graded and it is also a site to look at. Bill Wheat and Frank Campbell will check venues for possible places for events.

## II. New Business

- A. Bill Friend introduced Day Dobbert who is a friend of the organization who has been in Mexico for 18 years and would like to volunteer to work with kids. No Fund Raising. Bill asked if we have a need for tutoring. We agreed that starting in the office would be wonderful and the best place to start. Rick also reminded us that we need to talk with as many Mexicans for the office job. Rick will work up job description and come up with a range of salaries.
- B. Bill Friend reported that no news about our grants. Two grants are in phase II. Ginny went to meeting. We did not receive money from rotary. Getting it seems to be difficult.
- C. Strategic Plan: Was tabled.
- D. General organization business: Discussion about each board member with an area of responsibility was brought up by Pat Perceval. Bill Friend stated that he would review the by-laws.
  - 1. Bill Friend reminded Rick Feldmann that he needed to get FM3's endorsed. Rick stated that he is working on it. Bill asked if volunteers need to be registered?
- E. Rick Feldmann discussed Christmas Picnic. Discussion was centered around the question of, if wanted to bring in sponsors for the party. Additionally, Rick stated that maybe we should schedule sometime in the fall when many of our sponsors are here. November was discussed, not Thanksgiving. We should check community calendars and any other schedules. A high school has come to us asking if we have anyone who can teach English. Rick will check the possibility of finding someone.
- F. The subject was brought up by Bill Friend that there are students who are applying at both charities and the Mexican government for money. We should address the question on our forms.
- G. Further discussions by members of the board on what happens to monies given to the secretary during the day? Rick asked if we could have a safe. A motion was made by Bill Friend and second by Frank Campbell that a safe be purchased immediately. Rick stated that the safe is needed because we were getting our large dispensa within two weeks.

No other business was discussed and the meeting was called at 12:25 PM.

Next meeting will be 12 August 2008, @ 10:00 AM