

**SAN DIEGO SANTAS
A CHAPTER OF FORBS
Board Meeting Minutes for November 3, 2021**



Board Members: President John Lorne Jr., Vice-President Joe McGrievy, Treasurer Kathie Wellington, Sergeant at Arms Greg Cook and Secretary Mary Ann Schafer

Board Meeting Commenced at 11:25 am and Adjourned at 12:10 pm

All Board Members were in Attendance, including the following members: Ken Ball and Sandy Carroll, Dan Wheeler, Steve Schafer, Maria Nollet, and Bob Perry.

Member(s) Not Feeling Well: Joe informed us that Cindy is doing better and that she is here today with us. No one else was mentioned.

Board Minutes from September 28 and October 6, 2021 were up for approval and since there were no corrections or additions noted; Minutes were **Approved**.

Treasurer's Report for November 2021 was given by Kathie who said the General Fund has \$ 9050.49, the Reunion Fund has \$ 2161.61, and the Santas' Special Delivery has \$ 9075.32. So the total in our Accounts is \$ 20,287.62. Kathie also said that from the 10% Fund Raiser at the Texas Roadhouse Restaurant on October 26th we raised \$276.12. They will be sending us a check so it is not included in the total. Also, Texas Roadhouse Restaurant has our Club's Fund Raiser as their October's Fund Raiser for their diners. With every \$10 donation to our cause that their diners make they received a free appetite. Kathie said we made \$ 2,799.60 in Gift Cards which we are pending receipt. **Motion to Accept** the Treasurer Report was made by Mary Ann; **Seconded** by Greg; **Vote Taken** and **Passed**.

Kathie said that the Restaurant is ordering the gift cards for us in \$25 increments, so we are looking at about 112 gift cards. Mary Ann suggested that instead of buying a gift for each parent for the Special Delivery, why don't we give each parent \$50 in gift cards from the restaurant. Joe said that might cause a problem if the parent is not well enough to go out, or if they do go to the restaurant and they spend more than the gift cards, then they may have to use their own funds. Kathie said lets sell them to our members for \$25 each. It was said that members may not want to buy it at face value. Mary Ann said she thought Kathie idea was good; however, why not sell them to the member for \$20 instead of \$25; it will be a \$5 saving for the member, and we will make \$2240 for the Special Delivery fund and the members get a discount on the gift cards. The Board agreed. When Kathie gets the gift cards, she can tell Mary Ann and Mary Ann can send an email out to the members and they can arrange the exchange with Kathie.

Current Business

1. Fund Raiser Dinner:

- As Kathie stated in her Treasurer's Report we made \$ 9075.32, which includes the previous balance of \$ 25.18. The total does not include the money made from the funds raiser at the Texas Roadhouse Restaurant; the funds made are still pending receipt.

2. Santas' Special Delivery:

- **Volunteers:** Mary Ann said that we have eleven Santas volunteers so far.
 - Note: Our newest Santa that joined today, volunteer for the Special Delivery.
 - So the Santas volunteers are now at 12.
- **Families:** Kathie said that she was supposed to receive the list of families from Debbie Stroman, Director of Breast Cancer Angels (BCA), by November 1st, but she hasn't. She said that she left Debbie a message this morning, and will try contacting her later today. However, when she had spoke to her in September, Debbie said the list of families might be smaller.

Note: Kathie received the list of families on Thursday, November 4th.

- **Families:** Kathie said that she was watching Channel 10 News and they interviewed a Wendy Shurelds who is a part of the organization "Many Shade of Pink" who is a San Diego group that supports women of color with breast cancer. Kathie said we might also be able to use this group for families for our Special Delivery
 - The Board told Kathie that she could look into this organization for families too.
 - **Bob Perry BCA:** Mary Ann said that we could also support the family from BCA that Bob Perry delivered to two years ago; and last year he used his own money and delivered to them again this past Christmas. The Board agreed.
 - **Designation of Funds:**
 - Mary Ann said that the past two or three years the funds designation was:
 - \$150 per Child \$75 for the Food Card for Dinner and \$50 per parent
 - Joe said that due to inflation and that the cost keeps rising, that we should increase the amount spent. A discussion was her held and Mary Ann made a **Motion** to set the fund as:
 - \$200 per Child \$100 for the Food Card for Dinner and \$50 per parent. Greg **Seconded the Motion and Vote Taken and Passed**
 - **Designation of Age of the Children:** Kathie said that she wanted to discuss the age of the children. Mary Ann said that per the Special Delivery Procedure, that was put into place about three or four years ago, it states that the age of the child is 18 years or younger and still in high school or a lower grade. Kathie said that she thinks the age should be younger. Joe said that it should be at 8 years. Mary Ann said that she still knows children that are 10 to 13 years that still believe in Santa. Steve Schafer said that there are 17 years that are in need due to the parent's medical condition, that we can bring a better Christmas to. Joe said that is a family has a young child along with older children, we should buy gift for all the children. Mary Ann said that Kathie has the discretion of choosing the families from the list with younger children first and go from there. The decision from the Board was that the procedures stay the same.
- ### 3. Donation to Elks:
- Kathie said that she gave the check for \$400 donation to the El Cajon Elks Lodge to Ken Brassell for deliver to the Elks Lodge.

New Business:

- 1. Dues:** Kathie asked to reminder the members when using PayPal to click on the link to pay Family/Friend because we are being charge a service fee of 78 cents for the Dues payment. Mary Ann said we can only ask them. Mary Ann said that she will send out another email that Dues are payable.
- 2. FORBS 2022 Reunion**
- 3. FORBS 2023 Cruise Reunion**
- 4. Greg wanted to take a good group picture after the Member's Meeting is over.**

There being no further business the Board Meeting was Adjourned.

Submitted By: Mary Ann Schafer, Secretary