

**Fort Wayne Turners**  
**General Membership Meeting**

**December 14, 2011**

In attendance: Larry Miller, Chad Kleinschmidt, Margaret Stephens, Tim Reed, Tim Longardner, Rod Johnson, Rich Burns, Sabrina Teague, and Doug Teague.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited after the opening of the meeting at 7:03 pm.

The November General Meeting minutes were read and approved by Ed Keller and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mary Lou Bauer.

There were no questions on the Dec. Board minutes.

The Treasurer's report was read. Val Miller asked about the Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> transaction. She also asked when the TV's for the basement were approved. Tim Reed stated that the TV's were approved when we held the special meeting on the building repairs after the flood. Jane Teders asked where the money came from. Tim Reed stated that the money will be transferred from the General Fund into the Building Fund.

Val Miller asked why we had two cable bills. Tim Longardner stated that the Comcast bill is for phone and internet and the Direct TV bill is for TV.

Jane Teders asked about the Indiana Dept. of Revenue payments. Tim Reed stated that the bills were paid late and these are delinquent amounts. He also stated that we are in the process of getting all the late payments caught up.

Ed Keller approved the report, pending audit, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Don Hayward.

Bar Trustee – Nothing. Michelle Schmidt asked about the bar tabs. Tim L. stated that all tabs are paid and there has been no problems getting them paid.

Ed Keller asked about the pool tables. The tables were donated and the club made \$133.50 so far this month.

Scooter asked if it was illegal to carry over tabs. No response.

Maintenance Trustee – Nothing new except what is already covered in the Board minutes.

Kim Burns made a motion to approve the \$3000.00 for the door repairs. Tim Rupp 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Jo Zehr asked how the doors were damaged. The damage is caused by water and flashings will be put above the doors to avoid this in the future.

Tim Rupp suggested an awning. There is no money in the budget for this.

Matt Landin asked what the purpose of the hall ceiling was. Rich Burns stated that it will improve the looks.

Kitchen Trustee – Nothing

Athletic Trustee – Rod will be moving basketball from 12/23 to 12/30. There will be no fish fry on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice – Nothing

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice – Nothing

Financial Secretary – Report was read. Barb Lepper asked what the difference was between food/concessions and food/kitchen. The concession is the candy and food is the kitchen.

Kirk Schmidt asked about the Gambling monies. It is listed under the gaming account.

Jo Zehr asked how much we still owed on the loan. Tim Reed stated that it was around \$40,000.00.

Membership – 9 new members were voted in. Box was clear.

Cultural – Nothing

Bowling – Sign up for National Bowling will be in Jan.

Entertainment – Thurs. Dec. 22 is the children's Christmas party. They are having pizza and making gingerbread houses. The cost is \$10.00 per child.

The cheerleading uniforms are ordered and will be here for the basketball games on the 30<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$250.00. Lori Osterhaut was in the process of asking that the club pay for the uniforms, but was interrupted and her request was never finished.

Germanfest – The schedule is made out for next year. Is posted in the hall. The dates are June 6, 7, 8, and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

Tim Longardner is looking into getting a bus to take volunteers to the festival.

The Goldwings will be here in July, 2012. More information to follow.

The Bill Whetstone tournament will be moved to the following week.

Jim Markland is in the process of bidding for National Softball for 2012.

Nominating – Deadline for nominating man, woman, youth and Vorwarts is 12/27.

Historian – Nothing

District – Dona Schaefer did not make the last meeting and is trying to get information on the meeting.

Old Business – Jo Zehr wants to hear the Board's recommendation regarding what the Bair CPA Group discovered.

Rod Johnson read the letters from the Bair Group.

Val Miller asked if the accountants were putting all of this on Vanessa Miller's head.

Rod explained that all the withdrawals were signed for by her.

Jo Zehr asked if the information going to the accountants was the responsibility of the Treasurer.

Kirk Schmidt asked who has access to the ATM machine.

Vanessa Miller asked about the \$4200.00. She spoke about her feeling on this matter.

Jo Zehr stated that as an elected Board Member, that member is responsible for their actions.

Michelle Schmidt stated that the bookkeeping in this club is not very efficient.

There was a long discussion about the matter. More was said than what is possible to put in the minutes. There were too many different discussions going on that I could not hear them all.

Rod Johnson read the Board's recommendation.

Sheila Tarnow asked what we are going to do as a Board to see that this doesn't happen again.

Budd Olinger suggested that the people handling the money be bonded. The Board will look into this.

Jane Teders asked if the Board was going to look at how the money is handled and how long it stays in the club.

Karen Tarnow made a motion that any money missing on Vanessa's watch be repaid.

Budd Olinger made a motion that this whole episode be dropped. Ed Keller 2<sup>nd</sup>. A vote was taken. 18 yes – 15 no's. Motion carried.

Michelle Schmidt said that during the break she went back and checked bar tabs. There are still open tabs. Tim Longardner stated again that he has never had a problem with tabs not being paid.

Tom Sheppard (Shep) said that 2 or 3 day old tabs are illegal.

New Business – Val Miller asked about children sitting at the bar.

She made a motion that Fort Wayne Turners not allow anyone under 21 sit at the bar. Jo Zehr 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.

Good of the Society – Mary Lou Bauer earned her trip and donated a \$100.00 check to go towards the food bank collection.

The Elvis Concert made a \$360.00 profit.

Ed Keller said that garage sale items can be stored at his house. The garage sale will be March 29, 30, and 31<sup>st</sup>.

Sheila Tarnow asked what the easiest way was to get a hold of Chad Kleinschmidt. He will start listing events on the dry erase board.

Larry Miller stated that he hopes everyone can get pass this money issue and move on. Bev Fairchild agreed.

Erin Reed made a motion to adjourn 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kim Burns.