

**UNH/Dnipro**  
**Members Meeting Minutes**  
**4/5/2014**

1. Opening Remarks

- Paul began by saying he was concerned about attendance for the Members Meeting. He said we switched from Thursday nights to Saturday right before Pub Nite in hopes to get more people to attend but that isn't the case.
- Paul told everyone that the Officers have been meeting behind the scenes.
- Paul explained that he had been traveling a good bit over the last month which is why no further renovations have taken place.

2. Legal

- Paul has contacted the lawyer who wrote the original by-laws and will be meeting with him 4/11.
  - Mike Kaczaniuk has agreed to go with him.
- Paul told everyone that Mike Kaczaniuk is reviewing the insurance policy we have for UNH.

3. Administrative

i. Financial Report

- Steve Humeniuk went over the financial report for March.
  - Income was from Pub Nite and member dues from 4 people.
  - Steve stressed the importance of everything paying their dues ASAP.
  - BGE was very expensive due to the cold weather.
  - Lyman pays a very minimal amount, which definitely needs to be increased.

ii. Membership

- Paul said we can get a PDF of the Membership Application on the Website.
  - It will need to be printed, filled out and mailed back in with a check.
  - Currently there is no way to make a payment online.
  - Jullie suggested PayPal.
    - Paul explained that the Officers already discussed online payment options and are looking into ways to do that which will not be costly.
  - Steve will be making periodic stops at Dnipro to pick up mail.
  - Paul will be installing a secure mailbox.
- Dues are due 1/1 of each calendar year.
- Ihor thinks that if people don't pay their dues they should be tossed out of the club. They may rejoin when they pay.
- Daria will be sending a reminder email to all that have not yet paid.
- Ihor and Jullie think we need to get more new members. We shouldn't rely on existing members. Club needs to grow.
- Leslie asked when people will get their member cards.
  - Paul said he doesn't want to place orders one at a time, but rather in bulk which is why he wants to make a push for renewals.

iii. Liquor License

- Steve stated that Melanya and Yarema have replaced Bo and Nick on the license.
- Steve has submitted paperwork for a new license
- Steve took a bartending course to get us the license, because one of the people on the license needs to be certified.
- Maria asked, when by law do we have to stop serving?

-Steve said same as any other bar – 2AM

-Paul said we are not immune to liability and therefore should adhere to this.

iv. Credit Card Machine

-Paul said this is perfect for younger people since they tend to never carry cash.

-Paul believes this will generate more money.

-Paul mentioned that Yarema brought up the idea of an ATM in the club, during the Officers Meeting, but Paul feels that's not a good idea.

v. Fireproof Safe

-Paul said we definitely need one for important paperwork and money.

-This was a suggestion Bo had made via email to Daria after the Officers Meeting.

-Will be kept in front room on second floor which will be renovated into an office.

vi. Website and Facebook

-Paul talked about member log in on the website.

-Paul said we don't want just anyone to have access to what we are doing.

-We will post meeting minutes on the site but you will need a log in to see them.

-Daria stated that Melanya maintains Facebook and will continue to do so but will work with the website person as well so that content links up.

-Paul's person can work on the website but needs content and ideas since she is unfamiliar with UNH/Dnipro.

vii. Club Manager – Melanya Kaczaniuk

-Paul told everyone that Melanya has happily accepted the position.

-Paul stressed that this is a volunteer position and that Melanya can't do it all.

-Paul asked that we all pitch in and help.

-Melanya said she sees her position more as an Events Coordinator/Planner.

**-Jullie said that Melanya should make a better community connection by having Dnipro join the Neighborhood Association to open community ties.**

4. Committees

i. Melanya's Team or Committee

-Daria explained that Melanya needs dedicated people because she can't do everything herself.

-Daria said Melanya will need help with setup/clean up for events, pub nites, etc.

-Daria mentioned help with decorating for the Christmas party, help with event planning and organizing.

-Maria asked about having bartenders for events.

-Melanya said it was briefly discussed at the Officers Meeting

-Maria feels that we should have them and they should be compensated.

ii. Website Committee

-Paul said the website is up and has the following tabs:

-Home Page

-About Us

-Events

-Melanya said she uses Google Calendar and will link that with Facebook and the Website.

-Jullie asked about a hyperlink on the website to Facebook.

- Photos

  - Maria suggested galleries

  - Maria said we should post pictures from events or parties immediately after the event.

- Soccer

  - Paul said he and his nephew will work on this.

- Contact Us

  - Paul said we would have our email and contact number.

  - Paul and Steve suggested Daria send out an email soliciting volunteers.

  - Melanya suggested Officers head up a committee.

    - She said that the Officers Meetings would be shorter because each person would just report on what is happening with their committee.

    - She said that would give people a point of contact.

iii. Soccer Committee

  - Paul reported that his nephew has been recruiting alums.

  - Jullie suggested her daughter, her soccer coach and her friends can start something or help out with Paul's nephew.

    - Ihor doesn't like that idea because it's too many different people getting involved.

  - Paul suggested we sponsor a team.

    - Nick Fed said that's too expensive.

    - Ihor suggested a Fall sponsorship.

    - Nick Fed said we just need to get our name out there.

  - Paul said that Nick Fed, Ihor and Walt were the soccer committee!

5. Fundraisers

- Pub Nite

  - Daria suggested that Melanya come up with a snack/lite fare schedule so that the same person(s) aren't buying or bringing food each month.

  - Jullie volunteered to bring food for next Pub Nite on 5/3.

  - Daria suggested themes

- Revolution in Ukraine Photo Exhibit

  - Melanya gave details:

    - Nazar Kalivoshko, who is the choir Director at St. Michael's, contacted Maria who put him in touch with Melanya in reference to using Dnipro for this event.

    - Basically this is a traveling photo exhibit which is currently in DC and they would like to be showcased in as many cities as possible.

    - The photographer and the group of organizers originally thought St. Michael's would be the best place for this display but Melanya thought it would be great for Dnipro for a number of reasons – culture, exposure and fundraiser.

      - Maria said that St. Michael's and CYM were both thought of first.

      - Maria agrees that this would be a win-win for Dnipro.

  - Maria suggested an upscale event with wine and appetizers.

  - Melanya said that all money raised would go towards medical funds in Ukraine.

  - Jullie suggested getting donations from restaurants like they did for Art Under the Domes event at St. Michael's.

  - Paul suggested a scissor set up to display the photos.

    - Maria said that's an idea, but she's not sure how to set up the hall.

-Maria and Melanya will talk to Nazar at church on Sunday to get his input on what we have discussed.

-Paul said he will ask his daughter about getting patricians from Perry Hall High School.

-Jullie suggested the patricians in the lower church hall, but they are too heavy and cumbersome.

-Everyone was in agreement that we should host the event.

#### -Klitchko Fight

-Everyone agreed that we will host the fight.

-Steve said times need to be determined as well as how we will broadcast.

#### -Ukrainian Festival in Baltimore

-Daria said we should definitely have a booth at the festival because it would be a great money maker.

-Daria thinks we should sell apparel, but she mentioned food and novelty items as well.

-Paul thinks apparel would be a great seller and we should definitely participate.

-Daria explained that volunteers will be needed for the 2 day event.

-Daria said she is happy to work the booth but since she is also on the Festival Committee she will need to divide her time as will others, so any time members can volunteer would be greatly appreciated.

-Jullie told us that there is a box of UNH festival stuff on the second floor from the last time they participated in the festival.

-Tessa doesn't think we should have food, just stick to apparel or novelties.

-Maria suggested a soccer exhibition game sometime during the festival.

-Paul suggested some sort of game, maybe kick the ball for a \$1. Something to think about.

-Everyone voted to definitely participate in the festival.

#### 6. Clean Up

-Paul said the 1<sup>st</sup> cleanup was very successful and he really appreciates people helping out.

-The Officers will pick another clean up day to pull everything out from the sub basement.

-Paul said Daria will send an email out once a date has been picked.

#### 7. Renovations

-Paul explained that he's been traveling a good bit over the last month which is why the renovations have not progressed.

-Paul said we need to get a new hot water heater since there is no hot water in the building.

-Paul would like to demo the kitchen after that and replace with new appliances, counters and cabinets.

-Paul said he's been to the Restaurant Store and priced out a new oven and refrigerator.

-Paul thinks we can get cabinets at Ikea, don't need anything fancy.

-Paul said it's important to get the kitchen renovated so that we can use it for events and potentially once we start renting the building out it will be a great asset.

-Paul mentioned new windows in the main hall.

-Yvette suggested The Baltimore Window Factory.

-Paul explained that we need to speak with Lyman as soon as we can because we do not want them in the building during renovations and even once the renovations are complete we do not want them to damage anything.

-Yvette asked if Lyman is generating enough funds to go towards something like new tables or chairs.

-Paul said no, their payment is only \$18 per week, which is nothing.

- Paul said we really need to re-evaluate them. He doesn't want to just kick them out after all these years. He would like to find them another place to practice.
- Yvette suggested we up their rent, we should treat them like any other renter.
- Jullie suggested Paul speak to Andy Goolsby (from Lyman)
- Paul said that Lyman says they have a contract which no one has ever seen.
- Andy Hudyma said that contracts are void after 7 years.
- Andy Hudyma feels that Lyman's liability is greater than the benefits of their rental payments.
- Most felt that it would be better for Lyman to leave since they are not an asset and do more damage than good to the building and club.
- Paul said he will speak to Andy Goolsby.

## 8. Q & A

### -Donations

- Paul asked what everyone thought about ear marking items needed which people can donate versus flat donations to the club.
- Nick Fed thinks flat donations would better.
- Paul said he can create a wish list of things we want/need and people can pick for themselves.
- Most people thought flat donations would be better.

## 9. Closing

- Paul thanked everyone for coming and said the Officers would be in touch.
- Next meeting is May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Daria will send out a reminder email.

Meeting began at 6:23pm and adjourned at 8:04pm

In attendance: Tessa Kaczaniuk, Maria Kaczaniuk, Mike Kaczaniuk, Melanya Kaczaniuk, Nick Fed, Yarema Kaczaniuk, Marianna Cizdyn, Jullie Humeniuk, Steve Humeniuk, Alex Wenger, Paul Wenger, Leslie Wenger, Ihor Wenger, Yvette Hudyma, Andy Hudyma, Daria Hauff

Next Meeting – May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm in Dnipro

Submitted by Daria Kaczaniuk Hauff on April 10, 2014