

LLCC Inn Committee Minutes  
February 11, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Rhonda Mayner.

Attending: Penny Cory, Emily Fleshman, Rhonda Mayner, Dorothy Powter, Deana Query, Clara Robinson, Nan Stricklin, Paul Wagner, Marty Williams, Chef Michelle Molina

Excused: Sue Bird, Sharon Hadsall, Sharon Haworth, Bona McDonald, Bonnie Morrow, Jeannine Metz, Donna Miller, Dixie Scherting, Mary Ann Wagner

Guests: Deb Will, Kristi Gray, Barb Betterly, Brian Smith, Linda Smith, Brenda Patnoe

Deana Query moved and Emily Fleshman seconded to approve the minutes of the January 14 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Report:** Paul reported that the statements were not yet ready. He will get them and go over them with Rhonda as soon as they are ready.

**Restaurant Report:** Michelle noted some issues with large groups making reservations in the dining room, and then holding a meeting with only a few people eating. This ties up space and a server, and is quite noisy. Following discussion, Penny Cory moved and Emily Fleshman seconded 1) That the maximum number of people per table in the dining room be limited to 16 to facilitate better service for all members. People calling for large reservations will be so advised. Larger parties may be booked as a banquet in the Great Hall, or divided into multiple tables of smaller parties; 2) The seating in the dining room is for meal service only; 3) Enforce the existing policy of an automatic gratuity of 18% on groups of 9 or more; 4) A minimum FOOD purchase of \$10 per person will be required, e.g., the minimum bill for a table of 16 would be \$160, plus the 18% gratuity. Liquor and beverage purchases do not count toward the \$10 per person minimum. The member making the reservation will be responsible for meeting the total due. Motion passed unanimously. The committee agreed to revisit this policy before summer and consider adjusting the maximum number for the busier season.

The question was raised as to how many guests a member could bring into the lounge or restaurant. Rhonda will see if there are any official rules or guidelines, and add this item to the agenda for the March meeting.

Michelle noted that alcoholic beverage prices will be raised by at least 50 cents per drink in the next week.

## **Old Business**

Upcoming events:

Valentine's Dinner – Saturday, February 11. Michelle noted over 50 reservations, and expects there to be walk-ins as well.

St. Patrick's Day – Friday, March 17. Paul noted that MaryAnn is working on the décor and some fun events.

Easter – Sunday, April 16. Michelle will do a brunch. Emily noted that the Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, the 15<sup>th</sup>.

Fishing Derby – Saturday, April 22. Deb spoke as a representative of the Derby Committee. She outlined the schedule, and inquired about the food service. Michelle said we would do the breakfast buffet again for \$6.00 per adult and \$5.00 for kids under 10, and a hot dog lunch for \$3.00 per person. The Inn Committee will collect money and serve the food. cost of drinks has gone up. The Derby Committee is requesting donations for prizes, both fishing-related items and money to purchase them. Linda noted that Lake/Dam Committee members are available to help. Brenda noted that she now has her food handlers' card and volunteered to help.

New Year's Eve – Sunday, December 31. Penny stated that the committee would have to have permission from the Board to pay for a band, as the Board is no longer willing to support events that do not at least break even. Nan and Kristi are working together to plan the event. It was determined that there will be no food served at the dance, and no free champagne. The Committee would like to plan family events in the dining room after the restaurant is closed. Brian noted that in light of the club's subsidy of other activities, he would not be willing to consider a reasonable subsidy should the need arise. Nan and Kristi were asked to put together a complete budget, including how they plan to cover the costs if too few tickets are sold, and present it at the March Inn Committee meeting.

Ambience/décor – Rhonda reported that since we can't afford linens, she and Michelle would like to try using white butcher paper on the tables. The colored napkins will still be used, with flowers or candles on each table as an accent. Dorothy asked about the wall that was supposed to be constructed to block the view of the kitchen from the dining room. Penny reported that this had fallen through the cracks. Emily noted that she had a standing screen she was not using and would donate. Dorothy also suggested hanging a short curtain across the top of the doorway, to further block the view. The Committee agreed to do that. In the lounge, the Committee decided to continue to let members post original artwork or posters, but only for two weeks, and then they will be taken down.

Inn Remodel Plan – Rhonda reported that the subcommittee had met and was formulating recommendations for the Board at their March meeting. She noted that one of the recommendations was to take care of the flower boxes. Michelle will be using the boxes outside the dining room to grow fresh herbs for use in the kitchen. Following

discussion, the committee agreed to cover over the boxes outside the front entrance and no longer keep living plants in them.

Café Report – Paul reported that the walls have been painted and he will submit the final construction plan at the Board meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup>. The hope is for the café to re-open by April 1 as originally planned.

Website – the new website is up and running. Any additions or corrections should be sent to Jacob. Rhonda noted that it would be nice to have a function on there to make reservations in the dining room, which would be sent straight to Michelle.

## **New Business**

Banquets – Rhonda reported that the Board decided at their January meeting to no longer offer banquet service to the public. The Inn will be available to rent, and members can book full banquet service. Golf tournaments will be exempt from this. Any banquet service will be priced to cover all costs, including labor.

Michelle noted that she has had a problem, especially with golf tournaments, of staff booking banquets, setting the menu and the price, and then informing Michelle of what is required. She requested that all applications for banquets must be submitted to her first, and she will determine the menu and price. Rhonda will liaise with Ron and Greens Committee to make up a request form to be submitted for banquets, including date, menu requested, and desired price. Michelle will put together a list of popular banquet items available and their prices.

Games – Dorothy noted that the Bunco sign needs to be removed from the entrance to Lake Limerick. She asked if Bingo falls under the committee's oversight and Paul said it did. Since we have a new Bingo caller, Carol Morrow, Rhonda will meet with her to go over the guidelines and procedures.

Attendance/costs – at their January meeting, the Board directed the committee to work on attendance, service, a smaller menu, and costs in the dining room. Brian, Linda, and Barb all offered suggestions for the menu. Paul and Rhonda will meet with Michelle on February 16 to go over these issues.

The question of minors in the lounge area was raised. Barb volunteered to research the laws on this and report back to the committee.

The next meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 11.

Paul Wagner moved to adjourn and Deana Query seconded. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nan Stricklin and Rhonda Mayner

## MOTIONS TO THE BOARD:

1) Deana Query moved and Emily Fleshman seconded to approve the minutes of the January 14 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

2) Penny Cory moved and Emily Fleshman seconded

1) That the maximum number of people per table in the dining room be limited to 16 to facilitate better service for all members. People calling for large reservations will be so advised. Larger parties may be booked as a banquet in the Great Hall, or divided into multiple tables of smaller parties;

2) The seating in the dining room is for meal service only;

3) Enforce the existing policy of an automatic gratuity of 18% on groups of 9 or more;

4) A minimum FOOD purchase of \$10 per person will be required, e.g., the minimum bill for a table of 16 would be \$160, plus the 18% gratuity. Liquor and beverage purchases do not count toward the \$10 per person minimum. The member making the reservation will be responsible for meeting the total due.

Motion passed unanimously.

3) Paul Wagner moved to adjourn and Dean Query seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

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