

**SMOKY MOUNTAIN SHAGGERS**  
**Minutes of Monthly Board Meeting**  
**May 13, 2009**

**Location:** Sullivan's, 7545 Northshore Drive, Knoxville, TN

**Members Present:** President Dave Mitchell, Vice President Janice Davis, Secretary Red Lawson, Treasurer Dianne Linam, and Membership Chair Jill Long.

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m.

The **Secretary's Report** for March 30, 2009, was approved as read.

**Treasurer's Report** - Dianne Linam reported that we have \$7994.35 in the Boogie account and \$4888.49 in the regular account.

**Smoky Mountain Boogie**

After crunching all the numbers, we lost approximately \$500 on this year's Boogie. Under the circumstances, we did better than anticipated, given that the Spring Safari started the week following the Boogie and because of the current economy. Dave voiced that he is very appreciative of all the donations and hard work by our Club members.

Dave and Jill volunteered to co-chair our 2010 Boogie. We discussed the pros and cons of hosting our Boogie on Easter weekend. It was noted that we don't get many people from Chattanooga, but we had about 30 attendees from Kingsport this year. We also have a large group that comes from Texas every year.

If we change to a non-Easter weekend, we will have to move to another location, as Music Road continues to tell us that all other weekends close to our target date are already spoken for. Jill reported that the Hospitality expense would be about the same at either the Music Road or our alternate location (the new Holiday Inn in Pigeon Forge). We would have approximately the same cost for rental of the dance floor at either location.

**New Business**

After getting approval from Don Artean, the Board approved a \$100 expenditure for the purchase of a **paver in memory of Dell Artean**, which will be placed alongside our Club paver in North Myrtle Beach. We plan to have a brief dedication during the fall SOS, probably on the same day that the ACSC has the official ceremony to light the Shag water tower. Because, as far as we know, Dell is the first of our Club members to pass away, Dave suggested that we include a provision for future similar expenditures in our by-laws.

We have received our allotment of 100 **Fun Monday tickets**, and we still have about 25 **SOS cards**. We will try to sell these before fall SOS.

Dave advised that at the April 25 ACSC meeting, they voted to donate **\$10,000 to the recent fire victims in North Myrtle Beach.**

**Dance Lessons** have been suspended until September to give our instructors a break for the summer. We have implemented a \$15 fee (for a four-week session) for non-members. We have been advised that this seems to be working well and that our instructors have recruited several new members.

### **Upcoming Events**

Jerry Gardner has been working with the Chattanooga Choo-Choo Club to again co-host “**The Gathering**” at Euchee Marina on June 13.

**Rick and Maggie Owens** have offered to host another party at their home in Dandridge. The proposed date is Saturday, July 4.

Dave is to talk to Chuck about a possible party at the **Concord Yacht Club** in the fall. (Dave has since advised that a tentative date has been set for Saturday, October 17.)

Marcia advised that the Holston Hills Country Club has reserved Saturday, December 12, for our annual **Christmas party**. Alternate dates and/or locations may be considered if made available.

### **Quarterly Business Meeting**

Because our Club needs to make some important decisions, Dave wants to conduct our next quarterly meeting on Sunday, June 7 at 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, in hopes that this will encourage a large turn-out of members. In particular, we will be discussing:

- Boogie – Easter vs. non-Easter weekend.
- A report of the By-Laws Committee, especially as relates to our election procedures. Dave advised the Board that he will not run for President next term, but his desire is that new procedures be in place in time for this year’s election.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,

Red Lawson, Secretary  
Approved as: \_\_\_\_\_ read  submitted

### **PROPOSED CHANGE TO BY-LAWS:**

In the event of the death of a Club member (or a Club member’s immediate family), the Board is authorized to allocate funds, not to exceed \$100, as long as funds are deemed available, for flowers or other suitable gift. (The term “immediate family” is generally agreed to mean: mother, father, brother, sister, or child.)