

Pagan Pride of East Tennessee

Board Meeting

August 26th, 2015

Attendees-Board

Talbin MacGillivray

Jennifer Downey

Joe Miller

Steve King

Shandie Howell

William Lee

Johanna Miller

CJ Robinson

Patrick Patterson

Attendees-Community

William Surprenant

Chris C.

Meeting Minutes

Account Balances

Paypal: \$1690.88

NetSpend: \$67.48

Cash Box: \$340.65

Total: \$2099.01

\$75 Issue

Talbin paid \$75 on the day of the yard sale. There is some confusion as to if we paid double for that event. We are waiting on a response from the church to see what we have paid and when. Joe has requested that we not pay for events at WUUC with cash since it can lead to confusion as to what has been paid and when.

Yard Sale

Cash box was up about \$35. Counting food that is left over, we probably broke even for the event. Essentially we have "food investment" in board members freezers. Need better signage for the event overall and for the face painting. We did receive a \$60 donation from a couple from NE TN. They seemed to think they were coming to PPD and not a yard sale though.

PPD

Ian is no longer able to handle the readers coordination due to schedule conflicts. Talbin will help pick up where Ian has left off. Talbin will let William know about the vendors that have paid. We were contacted by a lady that possibly wanted to have table to readings, but likely wanted it to be a paid reading. There is a question as to whether that is legal in Sevier Co. Also,

we don't have any vendor tables left anyway. Patrick is heading the kitchen and Rosemary is coordinating sourcing the chili for the kitchen. She is going to have a small petty cash box for the auctions. If people wish to pay by card for the auctions, they will need to see Patrick in the kitchen. Workshops are full. We plan to do the community elder announcement and then introduce Gypsy, the featured guest, and her workshop. Talbin needs a list of workshop names/host/description in order to work up the brochure. He will also send out a call for vendors and anyone else that wishes to place ads in the brochure. We have the building from 10a-8p, but we need to draw up a floor plan. We can get that to the civic center as late as the day or two before PPD. We need to ensure we have signage to funnel people into the main doors instead of the corner door. Patrick is working on name tags for the vendors and board members. It would be a good idea to put the board members in recognizable t-shirts and also have t-shirts that we can sell as fundraisers too. The suggestion is black shirts with white lettering.

PPET Phone

The voicemails are not forwarding properly at this time. Talbin is working on fixing it.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is 9/9 and all PPD plans need to be solidified by then.

Roadside Cleanup

We are looking at October 17th for this. The next one should be March 26, 2016.

State Annual Report

We need to do the state annual report. It will be \$45-60 and is due sometime in September. We had to wait for officers to be selected before this could be completed.

By Laws

Patrick and Talbin have been working on this and have made progress. There are a few changes that will need to be made when they can get time to sit down and finish them. The plan is to get this completed after PPD.

Publicity

Joe no longer wants to handle this as he does not have access to the contacts. Patrick has the media contacts and can send the press releases. Shandie will work up a list of local area government leaders to give to Talbin to send official invitations to PPD. We need to better utilize the facebook page and other social media tools to promote all of our events.

Communication Issues

How are we addressing negativity and communication issues within the group/community? Chris brought up that conflict is a fact of any large organization. The By Laws should help address the fact that this is a “business” and that business should be business, not personal. We are not following the guidelines that we set for reporting weekly back to the board and setting a final date for all actions to be completed for each event. The lack of communication is hindering advertising and publicity for events. Shandie will come up with an after action report template for events to be used to report back to the board meetings after each event.

Community Elder

The nominations are now closed. Joe is working on getting in touch with people to help select from the available nominations.