INLAND EMPIRE PARROTHEAD CLUB MINUTES November 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Ward Crawford at Paola's Rainbow Resort in Hauser, Idaho.

Bylaws

The suggested bylaws have been posted on the website. All board members need to review them before our next meeting, at which time we'll vote. Any suggestions or concerns can be addressed at that point.

National Organization Report

Ward reported that he will need to report to the national organization before next week regarding the current status of our club.

Food Bank Donations

Members brought donations for the local food bank, which Ward will deliver on Monday. Members are invited to bring donations to each meeting, in keeping with our "Party with a Purpose" motto.

Website

Vice President Wendy May reported that the website is up to date, and includes links to the minutes of our last meeting and the proposed bylaws.

Advertising the Club

Wendy discussed the need for a banner to hang at each of our events, so others will know that we're there. We need to create fliers to be placed on a table under the banner, so that anyone with questions can learn more about us and what we do. She also suggested printing T-shirts with the logo and website address that board members can wear at events, inviting people to ask us about the club.

Ward has been working on business cards, with the logo and website.

Wendy will work with Douglas Lee on the banner (Wendy will design it, and Doug has the contact to print it).

Wendy suggested that Tom Campbell might have contacts to get the T-shirts printed. Treasurer Roy Moffit mentioned that the business where we meet might be interested in helping to cover the cost, if their logo is included.

Treasurer's Report

Roy reported that we have \$328 in the account. We will use some of these funds to print the banner and T-shirts. We hope to have these ready by the next meeting.

New Members

Ward reported that there are a lot of people interested in joining the club, but it's been difficult to collect dues. The membership form is on the website, which will go directly to the club email address. We need a way to entice people to join who have expressed interest in being members. We recognize that the club is new, so it will take some time for people to learn that we're here, and why and how to join us.

Membership Badges

Wendy will create name badges that each member will receive when they pay their dues. The badge will change each year, to reflect that the member has paid for that year. Ward will look into getting lanyards donated.

<u>Meetings</u>

Ward reported that Moon Dollars in Post Falls will be opening in December after their remodel, and suggested that our next meeting be held there.

Wendy suggested that the board meet once a month to discuss business, and that we hold an event once every two months where we welcome new members, raise money, and improve our exposure. And have fun!

Christmas Parade

Doug suggested entering a float in the Coeur d'Alene Lighting Festival parade on November 27th, and offered to provide a sound system and a flatbed trailer. But after discussion, it was decided not to try to do too much this year but enter the parade next year instead, when we have more time to plan.

Wendy said that we need to focus on our image and presence, and build curiosity about who we are and what we're doing for our community.

The meeting was adjourned, and Ward returned to the stage to continue entertaining club members and the other Rainbow Resort patrons.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Hanggeli Secretary