



MONITOR LODGE

MINUTES OF MEETING
November 3, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chuck Johnson at 7:05 PM

Meeting was opened with Pledge of Allegiance, God Bless America and Prayer

Membership items

Introduced prospective new member Ginny Lee

Joan Bollman's application for membership - Elizabeth Swenson-Miura motioned to approve, Andy Hopkins seconded, membership approved

Open Business Meeting

Noted that Minutes of last business two meetings (September and October) were included in the October newsletter. Elizabeth Swenson-Miura motioned to approve minutes as delivered, Joyce Willow seconded, membership approved.

Committee Reports

No reports

Old Business

Reminder that Grand Lodge convention will be in Sacramento in 2018. Monitor and Sierra Kronan are not the hosts, GG#12 is the host but you can bet they will look to us for help.

Reading of Correspondence of note – Letter from IOOF advising of rent increases in 2018

Planning for Future Events –

December 2nd (Saturday) - Sierra Kronan will be joining Monitor's Julbord gathering and *Glögg* sampling (not a competition) will be included.

December 8th (Friday) – Lucia celebration – Joyce Willow, Annika Anderson, Ginny Lee and Anita Nord volunteered to coordinate program.

Report from Financial Secretary and Treasurer – Johanna Benker reported we have \$16, 418.41 in checking account and the \$20,000 in CDs (reserve fund).

Reading and Acting on Bills Received

Invoiced listed below Kurt Pfannkuch motioned to approve, Elizabeth Swenson-Miura seconded, membership approved.

Chuck Johnson – BevMo restocking beverages thru Julbord \$179.87

Chuck Johnson – postage for newsletters & correspondence 21.00

Kurt Pfannkuch motioned to approve, Elizabeth Swenson-Miura seconded and membership approved to authorize Treasurer to automatically pay the new 2018 hall and storage room rental fees at the new \$225 and \$35 rates, respectively.

New Business:

Elections for 2018 - Mark Delle, past Chairman, coordinated. There were no contested positions and the candidate slate was approved by acclamation. A copy of the 2018 elected officials and a listing of appointed positions with proposed members is attached.

Julbord update and signups – DeeDee Dahlberg and Anita Nord provided a brief report from the Julbord committee's November 1st meeting and circulated food signup sheets at the meeting. Will forward to Sierra Kronen to circulate for the very few items still lacking. Chuck Johnson reminded folks that we would be having a Glögg sampling, not a competition. Kurt Pfannkuch moved to comp dinner for the District chair and spouse, seconded and passed. Kurt Pfannkuch also motion to cap event at 100, it was seconded and passed. Lisa Rea agreed to coordinate the hot dish table.

Lucia celebration - Announced that Karin Johnson and Gail Nemy were retiring from leading the Lucia program and music accompaniment, respectively and we were in need of volunteers to take over on short notice. Annika Anderson, Ginny Lee, Joyce Willow and Anita Nord volunteered to work the program. POSTSCRIPT – Chuck received email on Saturday from Christine Brainerd and Erica Leaman who have also volunteered to help and Sarah Cuthill had emailed prior to the meeting that she would also help.

Coffee committee – Chuck Johnson mentioned that we need a few folks to oversee the making of coffee for the meetings. Chris Bodelson, DeeDee Dahlberg and Dan Eriksson all tentatively volunteered. The key issue is that someone be available at each meeting that knows how to operate the coffee maker and advise when we are low on coffee, sugar and creamer.

Good of the Order

Sang “Ja må han leva” for November birthdays – Richard Ericksson Sr (**91!**), Donna Niemollar, Russ Ellis (**95!**), Lillian Stafford, Kathy Matthews, Susan Edelmayer and Loren Weatherly
Passed on that Carol Churkin had another stroke and is now in hospice care, Beatrice Mattson is recovering slowly from her hospital stay and Theresa Alberts is recovering from her recent health issues and her mother is now in an assisted living facility. Laila Harris is doing well but recovering from jet lag from her recent Swedish travels. Lillian Stafford and Elizabeth Bushnell are doing well but not getting out too often.

Closing of Meeting

Du Gamla

Prayer

Adjourned at 8:10

Cultural presentation – “You don’t need Dramamine for this sailing adventure” – presentation by Chuck Johnson (approx 15 minutes)

Respectfully submitted by Dan Eriksson and Andy Hopkins, filling in for Recording Secretary and Assistant Recording Secretary, both ill and compiled by Chuck Johnson