

GALA

Gay And Lesbian Alliance of the Central Coast

Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting, held at the GALA Center, 1060 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401 on March 1, 2011.

2011 Board members present: Robert Kinports, Bryan Jordan, Sarah Best (recording), Morgan Bowen, David Robinson, Will Russell, Ty Lanier, Bill Tomasini

Guests: Lorelei Monet, Clay Marsh, Luis Ochoa, Don Shealy, Steve Click, John Alongi, Anthony Parra, Mike Hughes, Sherry Collier

6:33 PM

Meeting called to order by Robert Kinports, President

1. Approval of February 2011 minutes – Robert Kinports
 - a. Motion to approve February 2011 minutes—David/Sarah
 - a.i. motion approved unanimously

2. Approval of January 2011 Financial Report – Bryan Jordan
 - a. Motion to approve the January 2011 Financial Report – David/Morgan
 - a.i. Motion approved unanimously

3. Bingo – Robert
 - a. Motion to cancel bingo for the foreseeable future until the board can figure out a more cost effective/successful event. – Bryan/David.
 - a.i. Motion approved unanimously

4. GALA Advocacy for Seniors Program – John Alongi
 - a. Monthly Potlucks/Informative Gatherings – at the GALA Center. The focus will be on community building where seniors gather, share finger foods and create informal social networks. Potlucks will often feature a speaker or panel discussion on a topic of interest to the group.

- b. Friendly Visitor Program – for home-bound LGBT seniors isolated without family or contacts with the LGBT community. These programs are a proven way to alleviate isolation and rebuild communities across generations. The program matches volunteers from the community with other LGBT individuals to form relationships that are mutually rewarding and to build community.
 - c. LGBT Senior Sensitivity Training – for senior services providers regarding the special needs of older LGBT patients/clients of residential facilities and social service agencies.
 - c.i. Motion to incorporate the Senior Advocacy group as part of -the GALA organization – Ty/Bryan
 - c.ii. Motion approved unanimously
5. Pride Reverse Drawing – Anthony Para
- a. June 11th Reverse Drawing BBQ
 - b. Each board member gets 5 tickets to sell.
6. Farmers Market Booth Ez-Up – Sarah Best
- a. The budget that Sarah originally had approved by the board is not sufficient, as the cost is greater than anticipated.
 - b. Sarah will bring a final proposal with a bid from another company to compare it with the original to the next board meeting.
7. Changing Status Quo – David
- a. A good conference that gets GALA connected to Cal Poly
8. Volunteer Picnic – Sarah
- a. It was successful, about 18 people showed up and had great food and conversation
 - b. Sarah will be writing up another thank you for the next News and Reviews

9. Spring Dance – Ty
 - a. Venue is a definite problem right now. Most places don't stay open past 10, which is right when the party would most likely be starting.
 - b. Ty will continue looking for a venue and will get back to the board at the next board meeting
10. Wine Boat Cruise - Robert
 - a. Next pride event - \$50.00 per person, includes the cruise, wine and appetizers.
11. Q- Youth Prom - David
 - a. Nothing new, everything is going as planned for May 21st.
12. Visions/Musical – Robert/Clay
 - a. Saturday, August 20th – at the Chapman House, Shell Beach
 - b. Theme will be – An Afternoon in Monte Carlo.
 - c. First class luncheon and casino style gambling.
13. Annual Picnic - Ty
 - a. Will hopefully have info/date/location by April board meeting.
14. Waiters Dinner – Morgan
 - a. October 15th at the Madonna Inn
 - b. They are in the process of joining up with another non-profit to join forces to make the event even more successful
15. Halloween Party – Sheryl/Will
 - a. Looking at doing it at the Children's Museum on Saturday October 29th.
16. Pride Budget – Robert
 - a. A lot still up in the air. The entertainers for Pride are still in negotiations. Robert will hopefully have more information solidified by the end of March so the Pride Committee can start with a major advertising campaign.
 - b. Motion to accept the 2011 Pride Budget as written – Bryan/Will
 - b.i. Motion approved unanimously

17. Falsetto Musical – Robert
 - a. Friday and Saturday – need volunteers to take the farmers booth to be there as a presence and to talk to people.
 - b. Ty will take it on Friday night
18. Rain gutter repair – Robert
 - a. Motion to approve the \$300 budget for Robert to fix/replace the rain gutter repair at the Center – Bryan/Will
 - a.i. Motion approved unanimously
19. Center Rental – Robert
 - a. Still trying to get the empty suite rented out. There has been a few bites, but nothing solid yet.
20. News and Reviews – all articles due by April 9th
21. Round Robin

8:30 PM Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted

Sarah Best

Action Items:

- a. Robert will email the new board contact list to the board.