

Alano By The Bay  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
April 22, 2019 6:45 p.m.  
4125 Cedar Run Rd Traverse City, MI 49685

**Board Members:**

Present: Bob Eichenlaub, Elizabeth Schwind, Linda Tracy, Candy Kniffin, Eric Pearson,  
Lynda Rothermel, Peg Brace, Erin Taylor

Absent: None

Quorum present? Yes

Others present: Justin, Todd T., Mark, Eric C., Dan

**Proceedings:**

Meeting called to order at 6:45 by Bob.

Minutes for February 11, 2019 were reviewed.

*Motion by Peg, second by Candy, to approve February minutes. Motion passed 9-0.*

Minutes for Annual Meeting, held March 1, 2019 were reviewed.

*Motion by Eric, second by Linda, to approve Annual Meeting minutes. Motion passed 9-0.*

Peg presented the March 2019 Treasurer's Report. Peg discussed the new building lease and increased monthly rent of \$1400. Alano By The Bay (ABTB) has renewed this lease for a 2-year term. West End has increased their monthly donation to ~~match the new rental fee.~~

*Motion by Bob, second by Lynda, to approve financial statement dated 3/31/19. Motion passed 9-0.*

Peg also presented the idea of filing an "Initial Solicitation Form," with the State of Michigan. This form would allow ABTB to solicit funds in the state without limit.

*Motion by Erin, second by Candy to file the "Initial Solicitation Form." Motion passed 9-0.*

**Old Business:**

The Board discussed the recent purchase of new floor mats and the cost of the kitchen renovation (just over \$300). It was also noted that pop sales are going well, with proceeds exceeding costs.

**Election of Officers:**

*Linda nominated Bob as President (aka Chair). Bob elected with a vote of 9-0.*

*Peg nominated Lynda as Vice-President (aka Vice-Chair). Lynda elected with a vote of 9-0.*

*Bob nominated Peg as Treasurer. Peg elected with a vote of 9-0.*

*Candy nominated Elizabeth as Secretary. Elizabeth elected with a vote of 9-0.*

New Business:

1. Alano member, Eric C., proposed a new meeting for Sunday at noon in the ABTB building. He explained that the Secular AA group has been experiencing steady membership growth and meeting attendance. The members of that group would like to add this additional meeting time due to this growth and interest in a 2<sup>nd</sup> weekly meeting. He stated that the Secular group understands the need for the building's use for periodic social events, and explained that the group would be happy to either move their meetings on those days or not have them at all. He even indicated that the members of that group might come to assist with set-up or cleanup of such events. Also, Eric noted that, on the ABTB website, Sunday at noon was marked "available."

After Eric's proposal, the Board discussed the advantages and disadvantages of allowing this time slot to be filled. Advantages included creating another opportunity for a recovery meeting on a weekly basis. Disadvantages were the potential for conflict with Alano By The Bay social events. The by-laws of ABTB state: "The purpose of the Club is to provide facilities as may be deemed necessary and desirable by its members for recovery meetings and social activities."

After considerable debate, a secret ballot vote by ABTB Board members only, was held.

*Motion by Elizabeth, second by Eric, that ABTB grant the Secular AA meeting the use of ABTB's main room for a weekly meeting on Sunday at noon, with the understanding that the Secular meeting will relinquish this space at any time, given at least 2 week's notice, at the request of the ABTB Board, for the purpose of hosting ABTB social events. Motion passed with a vote of 5-3.*

2. Dan explained that District 11 has an agreement to hold their board meeting's at ABTB every 3<sup>rd</sup> month, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, at 7:00 p.m. District 11 pays rent to ABTB for this use of the space.

3. Dan has reached out to the Common Ground activities committee but has not yet had success in coordinating efforts for social activities.

4. Erin and Candy raised the issue of the annual carnival and stated they were interested in having it again this year due to past years' high attendance.

*Motion by Eric, seconded by Elizabeth that the annual ABTB Carnival be held this year on Sunday, June 9, 2019, from 1:00-5:00 p.m. Motion passed 9-0.*

Needs for the carnival were discussed, with Candy and Dan agreeing to take on publicity for the event. It was decided to ask former Secretary Lisa, to organize the cakewalk again this year. Also, someone is needed to cook the brisket.

Next ABTB Board Meeting is Saturday, May 18, 2019.

*Motion to close by Candy, second by Linda. Motion passed 9-0. Meeting closed at 7:35 p.m.*