

Agenda 8/21/2020 - Unocal Gulf Coast Alumni Club

In attendance – Board members: Jerry Lohr, Dale Putnam, Gary Najdowski, Ann Mathis, Ed Ruckstuhl and Steve Ohnimus. Meeting opened 8:30am at Kelley's Country Cooking.

- Review and approve minutes from January 17, 2020 UGCAC Board Meeting, see minutes previously provided.

Motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes as presented.

- Meeting changes and current status due to COVID 19 pandemic affecting Chapter plans:

Jerry advised that other Chapters have basically cancelled all in person events through the end of the year but some are considering Zoom meetings.

- Upcoming lunch and dinner:
 - § May need to survey members in terms of willingness to attend any function this year

It was agreed to survey members in conjunction with the issuance of the Newsletter.

- § September's lunch in terms of possible postponement to October or cancellation
 - § Per RBCC, all Thursdays in October are open except for the 1st

It was agreed to move the September lunch to Thursday October 29th pending results of our survey.

- § Potential need to change our menu due to any restrictions on buffets

If we have a luncheon it would involve the same menu as previously established for the scheduled September luncheon meeting.

- § Potential need to add a server

If needed, a server would be added at no extra charge.

- § Speaker (Bill Dodge - which issues should he address?)

Per Jerry, Bill Dodge is currently not making any in person presentations but may be willing to do a Zoom meeting. As a backup, Jerry can make a presentation on West Poison Spider.

- § Streaming / recording presentation

Gary & Dale discussed the possibility of streaming any future presentations from RBCC; Dale will discuss it with RBCC in terms of any risk factors involved and their comfort level in allowing us to do so.

- § December's dinner - postponement or cancellation

No decision will be made on the December event until November.

- Newsletter (last issued in February)

Gary will create a draft of the Newsletter and send it to the other Board members for their respective input.

- Membership update

- Currently at 248, also see Call list previously provided for those who have not renewed

Gary briefly discussed the Call List and advised that eleven members from last year have not renewed; four of which responded saying that they were either no longer interested or were moving. Gary suggested that for those members who haven't responded, the applicable Board member may want to pursue further.

- Chapter succession planning, is anyone willing to volunteer?

After some discussion it was suggested by Jerry that he would ask Fred Shimek if he is interested in either the President's or the Treasurer's position given his accounting background.

- Treasurer's update

Dale briefed the Board on the six month period ended 6/30/2020. The cash balance was \$6,318.70 at 6/30 but increased to \$6,351.73 at 8/20/2020 from receipt of membership fees and some expenses. Also, Dale advised that there have been 12 members who have paid since our last remittance to CRA. It was recommended to submit a third payment to CRA in the amount of \$36. Motion was made, seconded and approved to remit funds to CRA.

- CRA National and South Texas Area discussions

See above section entitled " Meeting changes and current status due to Covid 19 pandemic affecting Chapter plans.

- Update on spoofing / hacking emails and computer inspections (Harold Krueger from Stormsoft.com)

Gary advised that there are two issues spoofing and hacking. Once the contact list is out there is no stopping spoofing unless you change your email and even then there are no guarantees. Regarding hacking, Harold advised that something can be done to curb suspect emails from the CRA Administration email accounts. He said it's called 2-Factor or Multi-factor Authentication. You can turn it on in the Security section of your Google Account properties. When enabled, the system will send a code to your phone as a text message if you or anyone tries to log on from a new device. With this extra layer of protection, no one will be able to log in to your account without your phone, even if they had the correct password. If your bank or any other online services offer multi-factor authentication, you should set it up there, too.

Gary also advised that because he is contemplating buying a new computer, he will delay any inspection until a decision is made.

- Date of next breakfast meeting

October 9th at 8:30

Meeting was adjourned around 10:00 am

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