

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Board of Directors
of the
CHILI APPRECIATION SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

PENDING APPROVAL
Sheraton Arlington Hotel
ARLINGTON, TEXAS
September 6, 2013

President Ed Blair called the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

Vice-President Darin Jester called the roll.

The following Directors were present:

Ed Blair, President
Jim Ezell, Vice-President
Darin P. Jester, Vice-President (Acting Secretary)
David Sexton, Treasurer
Richard Knight, Executive Director
Randy Duke, Director
Lee Kroencke, Director
Robert Schrade, Director
Glenda Vrba, Director
Jenny Windsor, Director
Mary Ellen Gillen, Director

President Blair thanked everyone for coming and welcomed those in the gallery. He reminded those in the gallery that they could not speak at this meeting unless specifically called upon.

Approval of Minutes from the July 20, 2013 Meeting.

Copies of the meeting minutes from the July 20th Board Meeting were distributed.

MOTION by Darin Jester to approve the Minutes of July 20, 2013. The motion was seconded by Richard Knight.

Motion passed: Unanimous

Ratification of Board Action

1. **Vote for Approval to use Brewster County Sheriff's personnel to security for the 47th TICC event. This would be limited to an amount not to exceed \$7,000.00 and overseen by Darin Jester: MOTION** by Jim Ezell to accept. Motion was seconded by Glenda Vrba

Motion passed: Unanimous

2. **Vote for raising the TICC Gate Prices to \$40.00 for the week and \$20.00 for Saturday: MOTION** by Darin Jester to accept. Motion was seconded by Glenda Vrba

Motion passed: Unanimous

3. **Vote to accept the 2014 Horned Toad Regional Championship – Rankin, TX: MOTION** by Jenny Windsor to accept the Championship Committee's recommendation and approve the 2014 Horned Toad Regional Championship to be held on February 24, 2014 in Rankin, TX. Motion was seconded by Richard Knight

Motion passed: Unanimous

4. **Vote to accept the 2014 USNO Championship – Buda, TX: MOTION** by Jenny Windsor to accept the Championship Committee's recommendation to approve the 2014 US National Open CASI Chili Championship to be held in Buda, TX. Motion was seconded by Richard Knight

Motion passed: Unanimous

5. **Vote to Naming Rights: MOTION** by Jim Ezell Whereas the Friends of CASI program has created a surplus beyond expenses of approximately \$25,000.00 the last four years, I would like to propose naming the administrative building to Friends of CASI Pavilion. Friends of CASI will hit \$30,000.00 this year out of an estimated cash sponsor income of \$65,000.00. I would like to refer to the building by name in the events schedule. Motion was seconded by Robert Schrade.

Motion passed: Majority of the CASI Board

Yes: Robert Schrade, Randy Duke, Glenda Vrba, Ed Blair, Jenny Windsor, Darin Jester, Jim Ezell, Lee Kroencke, Richard Knight, Mary Ellen Gillen

No: David Sexton

6. **Vote TICC Stoves: MOTION** by Ed Blair to accept Wendell Rankin's offer to provide eight (8) painted stoves at \$200.00 each per stove, less 10% discount. Motion was seconded by Jim Ezell.

Motion passed: Majority of the CASI Board

Yes: Robert Schrade, David Sexton, Glenda Vrba, Ed Blair, Jenny Windsor,
Darin Jester, Jim Ezell, Lee Kroencke, Richard Knight, Mary Ellen Gillen

Did not cast a vote: Randy Duke

Executive Director's Report

Deferred to the Great Pepper's Meeting on 9/7/2013

President's Report

Deferred to the Great Pepper's Meeting on 9/7/2013

Vice President's Report

Deferred to the Great Pepper's Meeting on 9/7/2013

Vice President/Sponsorship

Deferred to the Great Pepper's Meeting on 9/7/2013

Treasurers Report

Deferred to the Great Pepper's Meeting on 9/7/2013

Membership Report

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TallyMaster's Report

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Terlingua Trails Report

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Ranch Report

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Upcomings Report

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Krazy Flats Report

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Old 320 Report

Ralph Hay requested a motion be made to open up the Ranch Wall Plaques to anyone who would like to purchase one.

MOTION made by Robert Scharde to allow anyone who would like to purchase a Wall Plaque in the Old 320 area be allowed. Motion seconded by Jenny Windsor

Motion passed: Unanimous

Scholarship Report

Program Administrator – Nancy Hewlett

Nancy requested to encumber \$3000.00 for one scholarship and \$2500.00 for another.

MOTION: by Jim Ezell. Seconded by Lee Kroencke.

Motion passed: Unanimously

Committee Reports

Deferred to the Great Pepper’s Meeting on 9/7/2013

Old Business

President Ed Blair explained the purpose of the newly formed Advisory Task Force and stated this needed to continue. Also stated there was some interest into a Membership Task Force.

New Business

President Ed Blair presented the IRS 990 Form to the CASI Board of Directors for review.

MOTION by Ed Blair to use Jim Stateczny’s business, Hill Country Software as the Registered Agent for CASI. Seconded by Jim Ezell

Motion passed: Unanimous

MOTION by Ed Blair: To prevent the interruption of normal CASI operations, to allow for the resumption of business processes in a timely manner, and to have uninterrupted access to our financial data I propose the following policy be adopted by the CASI Board of Directors:

The current QuickBooks accounting systems established in the last five years has stabilized the accounting system and allowed for quick transaction between the CASU Treasurers without the interruption of normal CASI business; therefore the CASI Board establishes the current

QuickBooks Accounting System of the official CASI accounting system to be used by all Board elected Treasurers.

The outgoing CASI Treasurer will train and remain involved with the newly elected Treasurer to establish a resumption of business processes in a timely manner and for the Board to have uninterrupted access to all financial data.

This policy is established to provide continuity of data flow and standardized operating procedures for the Office of CASI Director. Motion seconded by Jenny Windsor.

Motion passed: Majority of the CASI Board

Yes: Lee Kroencke, Randy Duke, Ed Blair, Richard Knight, Jenny Windsor, Darin Jester, David Sexton

No: Mary Ellen, Jim Ezell, Glenda Vrba, Robert Schrade

Richard Knight presented the recommendations from the Credentials Committee for violations of Chapter 13 in the CASI By-Law. A vote is needed reference the following Pods:

- Spice Up California Pod – Allowed to be seated, but suspended voting privileges during the GPM. Pod on Final Probation
MOTION to accept: Darin Jester seconded by David Sexton

Motion passed: Unanimous

- Heart of Tennessee Pod – Placed on probation with seating at the GPM
Motion to accept: Ed Blair, seconded by Randy Duke

Motion passed: Unanimous

- Pacific Pod – Pod on probation with strong reprimand letter
Motion to accept: Lee Kroencke, seconded by Jim Ezell

Motion passed: Unanimous

- Mason-Dixon Pod – Pod on probation, letter of reprimand with seating at the GPM
Motion to accept: Lee Kroencke, seconded by Ed Blair

Motion passed: Unanimous

- Mo-Kan Pod – Pod to receive a letter of reprimand
Motion to accept: Richard Knight, seconded by Ed Blair

Motion passed: Unanimous

- Yavapai Chili Society – Placed on Probation
Motion to accept: Ed Blair, seconded by Darin Jester

Motion passed: Unanimous

- Pepe’s Pod – Probation, letter without seating at the GPM
Motion to accept: Robert Scharde, seconded by Darin Jester

Motion passed: Unanimous

- Desert Breeze Pod – Suspension for two years
Motion to accept: Darin Jester, seconded by Lee Kroencke

Motion passed: Unanimous

- New Mexico Chili Society Pod – Suspension for two years
Motion to accept: Darin Jester, seconded by Lee Kroencke

Motion passed: Unanimous

- Alpine Chili Society Pod – One year suspension
Motion to accept: Richard Knight, seconded by Jenny Windsor

Motion passed: Unanimous

- Empire Pod – Probation but allowed to be seated at the GPM
Motion to accept: Ed Blair, seconded by Jenny Windsor

Motion passed: Unanimous

President Ed Blair also reported he has asked the Advisory Task Force to review the policy concerning the Pod Credentials Reports.

Executive Director Richard Knight stated the new dead line for Rule Changes will be June 2014

There being no further business to come before the Board:

MOTION by Darin Jester to adjourn the BOD meeting. Seconded by Jenny Windsor

Motion passed: Unanimous

Meeting adjourned: 10:10 AM.

Ed Blair, President

Date

Darin P. Jester, Acting Secretary

Date

