# Dakota Alano Board Meeting Notes July 21, 2013

**Board Members Present**: Susan, Mark, Mary Jo, Rick, Dan, Julie, Brad, Rob, Rusty **Advisory Board Members and Guests:** Katie, Mary, Tim, Frank, Gary, Doug, Pat

Susan opened the meeting at 6:00 pm with the Serenity Prayer and an opening statement. Introductions were made. Rob read the Twelve Traditions.

# **Secretary's Report**:

A motion to approve the June Secretary's Report, as emailed, was made by Julie. Brad seconded the motion and the motion passed.

# **Treasurer's Report:**

Donations are significantly down. Ninety-two dollars and fifty cents went towards gopher state in June. We are very close compared to last year. A Gopher State donation summary was passed around. Brad has been reimbursed. Pledges and soda sales were noted. Insurance was paid. Two rent checks were cashed last month. There was a Quickbook annual charge this month as well. Mark was surprised by the amount of pledge money tracked from October 2012 to June 2013 because Julie stated that no new pledges were made this year. However, renewed pledges are continually coming in. Mark asked why are out net amount is up so much compared to last year. It's because our expenses have gone down throughout the year. A motion to approve the June Treasurer's Report was made by Mark. Mary Jo seconded the motion and the motion passed.

### **Squad Leader and Visitor Ouestions/Concerns:**

Nothing was brought to attention of the Board.

### **Committee Reports:**

Lit & Med. (Rick): Restocked medallions (especially the early months), some more books, and newcomer pamphlets.

**Publishing (Susan):** July's newsletter is out. Susan printed out more of the last two pages, which included a map and directions to the park for the annual picnic. Open to suggestions for August.

**Supplies (Brad):** Susan had to buy coffee because we had run out. Supplies are down this year. Only bought paper towels twice. Everything should be stocked. Mary Jo wanted to thank Brad on behalf of the Monday night meeting for supplying them with cleaning supplies. The pop machine is stocked. Julie thanked Brad and Frank for all their hard work during Gopher State.

**Maintenance (Frank/Rusty):** Rusty was officially voted in. Great thanks to Frank for all the time and commitment he put into the position. He will pass a to-do list to Rusty.

**Security (Dan):** The Thursday morning meeting found the house wide open and Wednesday night the front door was found kicked open. Dan filled in the jam as best as he could. The front door is currently locked but not weather proof or secure. Is it worth it to replace the whole door when someone can easily

knock out a window? Some carpentry will be needed to fix it properly. No signs of vandalism or theft. Rick thought we should bring it up with the church. Mary agreed and thought we should let them know about any potential future vandalism. Mark thought we need to let the church know if we're going to replace the door. Tim said he knows someone who is living in the park, who is out again, and living off what he can steal. Sounds like this guy's MO. Maybe we should alert the police? Let them keep an open eye. Susan said she will alert the church and get back to us. Mark thought that an insurance claim might need to be made with the police if it happens again.

**Archives (Mary Jo):** Everything is up to date.

#### **Old Business:**

Annual Picnic: Getting a list together for a Sam's Club run so we can pick everything up Sunday morning. Mary asked for a volunteer to pick up supplies on their way to the park. Rob volunteered. Maybe lighter fluid should not be kept in the house? Tim will give Rob his key so Rob can pick up supplies. Coolers are all lined up. Mary asked for an outdoor extension cord. Susan will bring one. Always looking for more people to help clean up. No water balloons please. Frank had to rake the remains last year. Rob will edit and bring our signs to the park with Susan's help. Our Dakota Alano banner will be hung. No pets this year. Some restrictions about where we can set up our sign. Plates, cups, napkins, and table cloths will be provided. Chafing dishes and serving pieces will be brought by Brad. Our big coffee pot will be brought. Set up will start at 11 a.m. Someone will be there at 11 a.m. to fire up the grill. Last year PA equipment was brought in. Pat wanted to know if inviting other musicians outside of DAS was okay. Rob thought the last two years' music was awesome and that Pat should keep doing what he's doing. Pat will bring PA equipment. Rusty will play too. There is a group coming in after us. Tim thinks we have until 5 to clean up and get out.

**Carpet Cleaning:** A big thanks to Dan for arranging the cleaning. The cleaners did the runners and the steps for free.

#### **New Business:**

**Parking Lot:** There will be no work done this week. The following week work will resume. Final layers will be laid down so pay attention to the signs. There has been no mention of motorcycle kick stands and the damage they do. Susan will make note of it and pass the word around.

**Rob:** Did everyone get Rob's new email? Yes, but the list has yet to be edited. Rob's e-mail will be changed, Frank's removed, and Rusty's added.

**Rick:** What about e-cigs? An article was included in the newsletter and each group will have the power to decide.

Mary Jo: Where are the meeting schedules? Are there more? Yes, they are in the closet.

**Rob:** Is there a new envelope on the front door for meeting schedules? Can we buy a little mail box?

**Gary:** The vacuum cleaner belt broke. Gary gave Rusty the bag so he knows what model to purchase. Should we buy a new one? Mary recommends a new one from Sam's Club. Julie made a motion to purchase a new vacuum cleaner under two hundred and fifty dollars. Brad seconded the motion and the motion passed. Brad volunteered to buy the new one.

**Brad:** Brad has an abundance of furniture. Should we make some more comfy rooms? Will do.

**Tim:** He noticed that the key paperwork is unorganized. Dan said he thought it was pretty caught up but he'll look over it again.

**Brad:** Smoking bench keeps moving closer and closer to the house. Once the sidewalk/parking lot is done being paved Nadine will get back to us about that project.

## Motion to close:

A motion to close the meeting was made by Rob and seconded by Rick. The motion passed and the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 7:49 p.m.