

**Nevada Society of Scottish Clans
Board Meeting
Financial Plaza – 1st Floor Conference Room
1135 Terminal Way, Reno, NV
February 1, 2017**

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chief Jackie Frady at 5:32 p.m. and attendance was noted as follows:

Present: Chief Jackie Frady, Chieftain Ann McAlpine, Treasurer Jim McLane, Secty Bonnie Green, Past Chief Lowell Patton and Directors Chet Buchanan, Cole Campbell, Anne Macko & David Melvin

Excused: Samuel Hatley

Guests: Janet McAlpine & Doug McAlpine

2. **Approval of the Minutes:** Bonnie Green, Secretary

A. Motion was made by Lowell Patton and Seconded by Jim McLane to Approve the minutes of January 2, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting and unanimously carried. No new Correspondence.

3. **Treasurer's Report of January 29, 2017 – James McLane**

-Wells Fargo, N.A.	38,561.13
-Wells Fargo Checking	26,763.66
-Memorial Fund	489.29
-Grants	0.00
-Tent Replacement	350.00
-Certificates of Deposit	11,797.47
-NSSC CD 1884-112516	6,208.98
-NSSC CD 1892-052518	5,588.49

A. We have both expenses and income still coming in from the Burns Celebration. We have paid the Grand Sierra Resort \$13,000 for the meals and snacks. We budgeted for \$5,400 for the labor and the Grand Sierra Resort wants \$6,400 for labor. The equipment is donated. It is under discussion. This is an interim report. We should have a more complete report by the next board meeting.

Burns Raffle	\$3,425
Burns Whisky Raffle	<u>\$1,175</u>
Total	\$4,600

4. **Chief's Report – Jackie Frady -** Jackie reviewed information about Gatherings, items A.-D., including the agenda, program, location and schedule.

A. The NSSC Gathering will be held on February 9, 2017 at Premier Residence. The evening will include a program of Scottish Trivia. Jackie would like to include self-introductions of the Committee Chairs and their responsibilities. Refreshments will be provided by Pat Keough and Bonnie Green.

B. The NSSC Committee Chairs is confirmed. Cole Campbell has accepted the Chair of Tartan Miniature Golf. Doug McAlpine will continue to solicit money for the Memorial Fund.

C. Burns Celebration: Ann McAlpine has a debriefing meeting planned and has sent out an e-mail regarding comments on the Burns Celebration

D. Publicity: Jackie did a radio interview on January 23, 2017 regarding the Burns Celebration with The Reno Tahoe Tonight Show with Oliverly X. She will continue with publicity with Courtney. Comments were made on the ad for the National Auto Museum in the Burns Program. Next year they would like to do it in color. Also, Cole Campbell would like to work on recruiting a younger group of people as NSSC Members.

5. Officers' and Committee Reports:

A. Robert Burns Celebration – Ann McAlpine, Chair

Ann extended a thank you to all the committee members who assisted with the Burns Celebration. She has sent out an e-mail asking for observations and recommendations regarding the celebration. She will schedule a post-event committee meeting the later part of February or early March.

B. Ann McAlpine, Chieftain has planned the entertainment for the February 9, 2017 Gathering. The activity will be a Game Night of Scottish Trivia.

C. Hearts & Flowers – Bonnie Curtis

Anne Macko indicated that she will be having Cataract Surgery in March.

D. Jackie reviewed the 2017 Committee Chair List. She confirmed Cole Campbell as Chair of Tartan Miniature Golf and Bonnie Curtis as Chair of Hearts and Flowers.

E. Memorial Update: Jeannie Robinson's husband deceased, 102 years old, will need a memorial plaque made. Doug McAlpine will continue to solicit money for the Memorial Board. Jim McLane has no problems mounting the plaques. Chris McLane takes care of the website design and C. Ray Nichols does the Store. Lowell Patton said he has the flags, bases and boards at his home. He would like to re-hinge the board because the hinges won't fold flat. He would also put two handles on outside. If he can't change the hinges, he will make bag to carry the board. Lowell will check with Jim McLane as the hinges may have to be put in a vice so it fits correctly. We will need a box for the bases and Lowell will make a carrying case for those.

F. Other – Anne Macko reported there were no applicants for the Grants. She provided information about the grants to the University of Nevada Fine Arts Department.

G. Chet Buchanan will begin to send solicitation letters for donations by mass mailings. Some of the letters will be more specific per the activities of NSSC. Chet could add copies of the Burns programs as we have some left from the dinner.

6. Board Goals

A. Chet Buchanan, when doing the Robert Burns Program, found that policy #7 has caused some confusion. The Silver Thistle Award is physical; the Scot of the Year is the person who receives the award. He will need to reword the policy.

B. Other: Bonnie Green announced that she would be unable to continue the position of Secretary/Board of Directors. She thanked everyone for support /friendship during the past year.

7. Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, March 1, 2017, 5:30 p.m.

Next Gathering: Thursday, March 9, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

8. Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the meeting, and upon motion made by Jim McLane, seconded by Lowell Patton, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned.