

CROATAN WOMEN'S CLUB August 24, 2022: MEETING MINUTES

- President Jo Blomquist hosted the new board members in her home. The new 2022-2023 members are as follows:
 - Jo Blomquist – President
 - Debbie Kurtz – Vice President
 - Denise Costigan – Treasurer
 - Emily Chamness - Recording Secretary
 - Kim Scholl – Corresponding Secretary
 - Linda Richie Royal – Programs Chair
 - Programs Committee Members – Katie Ripberger, Anne Mannarino, Casey Finn, Lisa O'Connor, Ryan Thompson, Kay Troutman and Mary Adams
- Communications:
 - On August 23, Ann Mannarino sent out the Save the Date invite (on Nextdoor) for our September Meet & Greet. An email flyer will go out on September 6th or 7th with the Meet & Greet information, closely followed by hard copies being delivered, in person, to resident homes, on September 12th and 14th. We encourage all members to share this information with their neighbors and to bring them to our Meet & Greet, so they can see what we are all about.
 - Save the Date details:
 - Date: September 19
 - Time: 7 PM
 - Address: 740 Virginia Dare Dr.
 - CWC will provide food & drink... Just show up!
 - Update to original flyer:
 - We are asking attendees to consider bringing school supplies, so we can distribute them to schools in need
 - Ann Mannarino also emailed the flyer to all of last year's CWC members.
- Budget:
 - After careful review of last year's budget and expenses, the board voted on increasing the one-time annual membership from \$40 to \$50 per person. The increase in the dues will cover all food costs associated with our meetings (no more last-minute food prep to attend) and will cover the costs for the special drinks and wine we offer during the larger, "special", gatherings. Members will still be asked to bring spirits every other month to help us stay on budget. Suggested spirits:
 - Wine
 - Beer
 - Prosecco
 - Champagne
 - Your choice...
- Bylaws:
 - The board discussed and unanimously agreed on adding the following statement to our bylaws:

“Membership is open to all women RESIDENTS of the Croatan Subdivision. Members who have moved from Croatan, may become Associate members, by paying the same annual dues amount as Croatan residents. Associate members may retain all privileges except voting and holding elective office.”

- The board will present the amended bylaw statement, in our October meeting, for the club to vote on.

Jo ended the meeting by thanking the board members for their attendance. We are all eager and excited about for the upcoming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Chamness, Secretary