

Tri-County Beard & Mustache Society  
Meeting Minutes- April 25, 2019

1. TCBMS held a meeting April 25th, 2019 at Lapel Eagles, Lapel, IN. Start time 6:36pm.  
-Members present were: Jeremiah Crafton, Melissa Crafton, Chris Mershon, Jordan Cook, Amber Ruddick, Karen Gilson, John Gilson, Mandy Mershon, Jason Crouse  
Previous minutes were read by Melissa and approved. \*additional charge should have been included in the treasury report for March for \$100.25 at Aldi for the Lapel Food Pantry donation.
2. Treasurer's Report- As of today, bank balance is \$16,556.33. We took in: \$57.00 Jeremy man purse sales from last two comps attended, \$100 Tim Matthies donation, \$3.54 bank dividend. No monies paid out this month. Approved.
3. Bentley's Buddies competition/bowling event on May 4<sup>th</sup> in Greenfield at Strike Force Bowling. Still need people to come April 29<sup>th</sup> for the tv segment on Fox. Be at the bowling alley at 6:45am for filming and instructions. Jeremy and Jordan are going- anyone else can come as well!
4. The Craftons looked into a climate controlled storage unit for our instruments. Chris Mershon also found a place in Anderson that is climate controlled and provided Jeremy with the information. They are cheaper and larger per month. Will keep you posted on price/location/date of move. Waiting for weather to clear up so we're not moving instruments in the rain.
5. Spring golf outing briefly discussed. Committee not present. We'll probably have to cancel as we're a month out. Jeremy will reach out to Josh and Jeff.
6. Ben Samuels has bottle opener buttons- he sent Melissa and Jeremy examples- Chris Mershon presented information on another company that would possibly be cheaper than going through Ben. We will see the costs and ask if Ben would work with us if we want to keep our order in the bearding community. To be revisited at a later meeting.
7. Bearded Hero 4 was a huge success! They raised over \$10,000 for charity! Thank you to all the club members that came out and those that helped work at their comp to make it a great time!
8. Elections for Recruiter position(s) are next monthly meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Atlanta Earth festival (September 28/29) application received. \$140 for 2 days set up. Jeremiah makes a motion for us to set up a booth. Approved. All in favor. Melissa will send in check and application
2. Indiana on Tap will be held on June 1<sup>st</sup> in Anderson, IN. Booth space is usually 500.00, but they will allow us to have a booth for 150.00. Hours are 1pm-5pm. Jeremy makes a motion that we set up for the afternoon. Approved. Majority in favor. Melissa will send in payment.
3. Lapel Eagles already booked the banquet room for Saturday of the Lapel Village Fair (July 12/13). Melissa makes a motion that we do not have a kids only comp this year, and in lieu of, the Bentley's Buddies competition will take its place. Approved. All in favor. Furthermore, Melissa makes an additional motion to set up on Main Street both days during Lapel Village Fair since we will not be having an event at the Eagles. Approved. All in favor. Melissa will send in check and application
4. Amber suggested having the Beard Photo Board set up at our table during the LVF and for \$1 donation, they get to vote who has the best beard of those showcased. Winner to receive a prize of some sort. To be revisited
5. TCBMS campout was discussed again. We need to vote to know whether we keep it for club members and immediate family only, or if we keep it like last year and send invites to other clubs. Jeremiah asked for a show of hands from voting members for TCBMS only. Zero. Jeremiah asked for show of hands for open invitation. All in favor. Get your fun stuff together to play Rocky Jenga! This event is for all ages. HOWEVER, there will most likely be shenanigans and adult beverages, so if this is something you do not want your children around, please make other arrangements for them.

6. Jeremy to reach out to Kellie Graham to see if she can do the assortment of colors and sizes now before festival season starts.
7. Jordan Cook mentioned that if a group of us are going to nationals in Chicago, we should all room together in an Airbnb. We'll do some research, so if you're DEFINITELY going and would like to share expenses for housing, please let Jeremiah Crafton know ASAP.
8. NACBMA report- we raised \$10560.01 in 2018! Total raised includes Sanford fundraiser and Mystery Boobie Garden fundraiser. Does not include costs. We were a small part of 43 clubs that raised over \$411,000 dollars in 2018! That is amazing!!
9. Jeremiah and Melissa attended Smoky Mtn. Whisker Jam- Knoxville, TN. The venue was awesome, we predict they will outgrow it very soon, but is in a fantastic location (the downtown square) Melissa brought home 1<sup>st</sup> in Ladies Realistic. Such a great time, currently unsure on funds raised
10. Bentley Buddies Pre-event this Sunday- 1-4pm in Greenfield at the BBF office on main street in greenfield for the kids to build beards ahead of time. Melissa, Mandy, Karen to help kids craft beards.
11. Greeks Pizzeria update- Spoke with TWP/Annie Pruitt- no funds distributed yet due to them having to wait on a musician to fulfill the spot for charity. Check will disperse soon. We'll keep you posted.
12. Members who have dues due next month: Jordan Cook, Shadrach Hulen, Jason Crouse, Jeff Wren, Marian Wren, Teresa Pruitt

### **2019 COMPETITIONS WE KNOW OF SO FAR (that are near(ish))**

\*May 4<sup>th</sup>- QCBMC- Springfield, MO- 10<sup>th</sup> annual (Bentleys Buddies Comp/TCBMS)

\*May 18<sup>th</sup>- WORLDS in Antwerp!

\*May 25<sup>th</sup>- Holy City Competition- South Carolina

\*June 8<sup>th</sup>- Kalamazoo Parade of Whiskers- Old Dog Whisker Club

\*June 15<sup>th</sup>- Beard & Loathing Comp- Kentucky

\*August 2-4<sup>th</sup> - TCBMS campout

\*September 28<sup>th</sup>- Beard Barons- Big Whisker Revival- Newport KY

\*October 5<sup>th</sup> - MV Monsters Ball- Pennsylvania

\*October 12<sup>th</sup> - OUR COMP

\*October 19<sup>th</sup>- STL Arch Classic

\*November 2<sup>nd</sup> – Circus of Whiskers- Murder City- Detroit, MI

\*November 9<sup>th</sup>- NATIONALS!! Chicago!

Being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:31pm