

**Tri-County Beard & Mustache Society**  
**Meeting Minutes- October 18th, 2023**

TCBMS held a meeting October 18th, 2023 at Lapel Eagles, Lapel, IN.

Start time: 7:01pm

**Members Present:** Jeremy Crafton, Melissa Crafton, Chris Mershon, Shannon Ross, Jordan Cook, Jean Lloyd, Austin Brownfield, Kristina Patterson, Justin Shadler, and Greg Noland.

**Treasurer's Report-** As of 10/18/23 total bank balance is \$22,452.33

**We took in:** \$653.00 Atlanta Earth Festival, \$50.00 Network for Good (FB Donate), \$2000.00 from Lapel Eagles Aerie #4323, \$.96 bank dividend, \$30.00 new membership (Greg Noland-online), \$15 Mark Enstrom dues, \$15 Carrie Enstrom dues, \$50 category sponsor, \$100 QCBMF category donation, \$75 Jodi Roweine and Scott Hooker category and misc sponsors, \$205.00 category/misc sponsor spots and \$5 extra donation from Ron Rice from Indiana Beard Mobb, \$150.00 sponsorships from CJ Sanford category sponsor and \$100 from Steel City BMC for sponsorships, \$37.50 ½ of trivia profit

**We Paid out-** \$21.36 amazon for hangers, \$4.90 usps for boobie panels mailing, \$20.00- 4 wooden beard carvings for raffle table from ATL earth festival, \$4.65 zettle fees, \$1.42 zettle fees, \$8.55 size separators for hanging rack, \$68.00 storage unit, \$100.00 shave for prostate donation- Casey Nehmer of Hoosier Beard Alliance, \$40 raffle items, \$1.17, \$.90, \$1.50, \$2.24, \$6.14 all paypal transaction fees, \$4.50 trivia snack prize for 2<sup>nd</sup> place, \$8.46 amazon competition green bracelets, \$74.74 dollar tree baskets, fillers, tissue, etc, \$37.50 ½ to Eagles Ladies Auxiliary from trivia

**Need to purchase:** More Raffle baskets and fillers for comp, \$100 Boone Farm gift card for Eric Baker

**OLD Business**

- Atlanta Earth Festival- We were in a new spot—overall went well, but wasn't very busy Sunday.
- Boobie Garden monetary donations (TABLED FOR NOW, BUT KEEPING IN MINUTES UNTIL FEB/MARCH)—we're moving away from Susan G Komen. Jeremy Crafton had made a motion to use funds to pay for Shellie's mastectomy scars coverup tattoos- approved and made a second motion that any leftover funds after Shellie is taken care of, from the Boobie Garden auction, to be distributed locally to someplace that fits the cause, or within the state. -approved.

Options that have been researched for donations are as follows:

1. **IBCAT- Indiana Breast Cancer Awareness Trust-** partners with Hancock Regional Hospital in Greenfield (one of our counties)- helps both men and women—However, it states only 88 cents of every dollar goes to help- the rest is for administrative- at least they are up front with it, unlike Susan G Komen. Here is their mission statement: The mission of the Indiana Breast Cancer Awareness Trust, Inc. (IBCAT) is to increase awareness and improve access to breast cancer screening, diagnosis, and support services throughout Indiana. IBCAT receives funds through sales of the breast cancer awareness specialty license plate. IBCAT plate sales began in January of 2002. Through these sales, monies are available for grants deemed to best address the project areas. Each Indiana Breast Cancer Awareness plate sold generates a \$25.00 donation. The donation helps provide uninsured and under-insured Hoosiers with free breast cancer screening, diagnostic and support services. Funds also support scholarships for students who have lost a parent to breast cancer or have a parent currently fighting the disease. The Indiana Breast Cancer Awareness Trust, Inc. is a 501(C)3 Not for Profit organization incorporated in the State of Indiana.

2. **IWIN- Indiana Women In Need-** a nonprofit that also partners with Hancock Regional Hospital, but only assists women. The IWIN foundation supports women statewide who are currently receiving treatment for breast cancer by securing and paying for individual services that relieve emotional, physical, and financial burdens. The foundation offers programs to provide support to women during their breast cancer treatments.

3. **Community Hospital Foundation-** need a bit more information

\*\*Shellie's appointment is not until the middle of February 2024. So we will not know what's leftover until after. So if there are any other suggestions/ideas on the disperse of regular funds, please bring them to a meeting.

- Mark and Carrie Enstrom made patches for a fundraiser for the club. They turned out so well! We will have them at the competition!
- Competition schedule/job assignments- If you are a member, and attending the competition- check to see what your job is when you arrive if you haven't already volunteered for one.
- We'd greatly appreciate it if members shared our posts from the main TCBMS page. We don't post a ton, but when we do, get the word out there on the interwebs please! Tell ALL the peoples!

## **New Business**

- New Member Application- Greg Noland- approved.
- Storage Unit- going up AGAIN! From \$68 to \$75
- Zettle Terminal Issue. We will have to use app until terminal back in stock. They will be sending out the older version shipped overnight to get us through the competition. Members that will be handling money will need to donate the Zettle app on their phones.
- Great show of members at Big Whisker Revival for the Cinicinnati Beard Barons competition! There were 10 of us! Mark Enstrom took 1<sup>st</sup> in Full Beard 5-10, Chris Mershon took 1<sup>st</sup> Goatee, Lil Abe (Mr. Ezra Cook, honorary child member) took 1<sup>st</sup> in Kids. The rest of us didn't place (Jordan, Carrie, Melissa, Jeremy, Amber, Lala- honorary child member). Beard Barons raised \$13,000 for "The Barracks Project"!!
- We've been told that the Lapel Eagles \*SHOULD\* be smoke free by our competition time next year
- Chris Mershon mentioned having lanyards for next year. Melissa said she just bought new bracelets and many of the competitors, especially with craft, freestyled and bigger beards, do not like fussing with them. Will revisit next comp time.
- Brief discussion of members that have a vote that have not competed in or attended a competition in their membership year—tabled until next meeting.

## **2023 COMPETITIONS/EVENTS WE KNOW OF SO FAR (that are near(ish))**

Circus of Whiskers- Murder City Facial Hair Club- Detroit- November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### **Members that have Dues upcoming or due before next meeting on 11/15/23:**

**October**- Clark Falcione Jr(30), Cory Hemp(15), Haylee Hemp(15), Paul Johnson(30), Larry Smith(30)

**November**- Chris Mershon(30), Amber Cook(30), Shannon Ross(30)

**December**- John Blair(30), Justin Schadler(30)