



TGCBCA

Texas Gulf Coast BBQ Cookers Association Minutes – Regular Membership Meeting Tuesday, October 6, 2009 – Valley Ranch Grill & BBQ

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by President Glenn Jarrett.

The minutes from the TGCBCA Regular Membership Meeting held on Tuesday, April 7, 2009, were published in the Meeting Notice. A motion was made by Sandy Babcock and seconded by Buelle Hill to accept the minutes as published. The motion passed.

General Business

Helen Halbison gave the treasurer's report. She then mentioned that renewals for 2010 were coming up, be sure to get your renewal in so all cooking points will be counted. New members' fees for this year received after tonight's meeting will carry the new member through next year.

Roycie Raspberry reported that there were two new cookoffs coming up in Spring, TX... one of them is for the girls' softball team and the other is the tri-county cookoff.

Old Business

Glenn Jarrett brought up the cookoff that was held by the Elks Lodge in Katy, TX. He said that due to the way the TGCBCA judges were treated, etc. it had been decided by the board that the organization would no longer sanction their BBQ cookoffs. Ann Lutringer to draft the letter stating this, Glenn will sign it before it's sent. Furthermore, our own invitational held each spring will be dedicated to the memory of Ronnie Halbison instead of the cookoff at the Elks lodge in Katy.

Rich Robin reported on the Weiser Air Park cookoff. It was a state championship cookoff this year; there were 23 teams (up from last year). BBQ provided for the public was sold out early and the promoters were very pleased with how the event turned out.

The Pasadena Labor Day Cookoff was also a Texas State Championship cookoff. Bobby Blankenship mentioned that his upcoming Jimmy Wells cookoff will also be a Texas State Championship... Jill Blankenship is working on getting the same designation for the Lions Club...

Curtis Lutringer reported on the Cinco de Guyos Labor Day cookoff in San Antonio. About 30 teams competed and a good time was had by all. Pulled pork and Farmer's market categories were included along with the usual categories.

New Business

Rich Robin asked new members and guests to identify themselves... Jerid Brown and Chad Ashford (Ass Kickers cook team) were attending hoping to get some tips on how to handle their upcoming Harris County Youth Fair cookoff... Ed & Robin Myers (M&M Cookers) are new members.

Glenn mentioned that we still need more judges if we are to be able to continue to sanction more cookoffs. Rich Robin said that the head judges really need to stress at the head cooks meeting that they need to help provide tasting judges. Roycie Raspberry said that the promoters often don't seem to understand that our head judges

aren't the ones responsible for providing the tasting judges because our head judging title is confusing to them... after a discussion on what title would be less confusing, it was decided by a consensus vote that 'TGBCA Judging Official' would be the new title. Helen Halbison will order new tags and mail them out.

Voting for new officers will occur at the December meeting. Ann Lutringer to mail out a notice indicating that all rule changes should be sent to her in writing before November 16, 2009. Nominations for officers may also be sent to her. Ronnie Raspberry will call a board meeting if necessary to discuss any rule changes received prior to the meeting in December.

Dolores Patterson mentioned that the Harris County Fair cookoff was coming up... they have 48 teams and she's hoping for 50 altogether. There will be a jackpot open and a dessert category as well as the usual categories... bring a sack of canned goods as a donation... the grand and reserve grand champions' entry fees will be paid for the 2010 cookoff.

Dolores is also one of the promoters for the Diamonds & Dollars cookoff coming up in November. It will be held at Papa's Ice House in Spring, TX. This cookoff will benefit a salute to the troops...

Roycie said that a biker rally BBQ cookoff was coming up in Nacogdoches, TX. This one has always been fun.

Bobby Blankenship said anybody cooking in his Jimmy Wells cookoff needed to let him know right away... cooks need to do turkey to be considered for grand champion...

With no further business to be discussed, a motion was made by Craig Sharry and seconded by Buelle Hill, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

The next regular membership meeting is Wednesday, Dec. 9th, at 7:00 pm at Valley Ranch Grill & BBQ.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lutringer, Secretary
Texas Gulf Coast BBQ Cookers Association