

RESIDENT EVENTS MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 4, 2024

ATTENDANCE: All present except for excused members Jean & Martie, and the following resigned members- Nancy Peters, Bonnie Gee, & Susan Darcy. Two potential new members attended- Michelle Lary & Stephanie Meierhofer.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Cathy reported our estimated balance following the Halloween dance is \$400.00. There are still some outstanding receipts that make the accounting approximate.

HALLOWEEN DANCE REVIEW: 161 tickets were sold at \$20 each so we are now in the black.

Bob Mc Coy has volunteered to take photos of Resident Events activities to replace the late Dan Lim. Candance volunteered to write a brief article for the Heron digital newspaper & will include photos of the costume contest winners.

The decorations were good considering construction limitations in the ballroom. Lighting for the entryway and photo booth were insufficient. Gary will investigate more lighting for the coming dance since the ballroom renovation is not expected to be completed for several months. Everyone loved the scrolling graphics on the back wall of the stage.

The costume parade and judging were discussed. Most found it to be chaotic with several guests crowding the dance floor and joining more than one category of judging. We brainstormed some ideas to make the process smoother for next Halloween and will continue this discussion.

PURCHASES: Gary reminded the committee that all Resident Events purchases made on Amazon need to go through HGRD Purchasing (Jayne Schwarz) at purchasing@hgrdnfm.com. We get free shipping and tax-exempt status on that site.

JIGSAW COMPETITION: Marla reported that room availability is an issue during season but has decided with the help of the committee and puzzlers to go with a Saturday morning in mid to late January 2025. Will try to fit 10-12 banquet tables in Activity Room A with an alternate floor plan to what has previously been used. All the puzzles are bought. Will begin the sign-up process soon.

NEW BUSINESS: Gary announced the resignations of 3 members: Nancy Peters, Bonnie Gee and Susan Darcy. He has applications for replacements and 2 of those potential members were in attendance today: Michelle Lary who has been volunteering at our dances for some time now & Stephanie Meierhofer. Gary will contact one other potential member, Teresa Pipal, who has applied and then present the resignations & applications to the Board for approval.

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT: Denise reported 96 residents have signed up and been confirmed for the competition on November 10 from 1-6:30pm. Gift card prizes have been bought. Tom Foster will set up a speaker for music at the event. There will be a practice session on Saturday not associated with our committee but following the same rules. Food & Beverage will set up a tent and sell hamburgers, hot dogs, beer, water & soft drinks. Extra garbage cans will be placed throughout the area. Volunteer judges and clean-up crews should contact Denise or Shelly.

BREAKFAST TRAILER: Gary reported the board approved K&B's Shack to set up every morning in the parking lot where the pods were. They will sell breakfast items & coffee Tuesday-Saturday from 7-11am. They will take cash or credit. This offering is currently approved by the Board under Resident Events Committee. If the offering is successful, picnic table(s) may eventually be placed in that area on the grass and a second site may be available on the golf course.

NEW YEARS EVE DANCE: Volunteers were requested to replace those members who previously decorated the tables & just resigned. Barbara C, & Laurie, with the help of potential new members Stephanie & Michelle, will take this on. After discussion & vote, it was decided to skip the balloon drop this year as it has been very time consuming during both set-up and clean-up. We will use the tabletop balloon arrays that we already have in storage. Laurie volunteered to find a graphic to scroll on the back wall of the stage. Tickets will be \$20 each and it is uncertain if ordering online will be up and running before tickets go on sale. The band is From the Edge.

FOOD TRUCK WEEK: We are approved to have food trucks in everyday during the restaurant shut down for deep cleaning in the summer. Those dates are not known yet. If the new breakfast truck is successful, that vendor may be willing to extend their hours during that week so that lunch can be available for purchase.

FUTURE BANDS: Martie was not present, so this topic was deferred. Gary did mention that the summer dance may be in June.

FARMER'S MARKET: Gary reported the current vendors seem to be doing a fair amount of business. He is still trying to find a veggie vendor. The Cutco Knife vendor is scheduled to be here this Thursday (first Thursday of the month) but has not been responding to messages and has not yet turned in his required paperwork.

FOOD TRUCK NIGHT: Denise reported she will begin planning this after Christmas for a potential date in February 2025.

ICE CREAM TRUCK SCHEDULE: Ice cream vendors are scheduled to be in the parking lot on 12/1/24, 1/19/25, 2/16/25 from 3-6pm and on 3/30/25, 4/13/25, 5/18/25, 6/8/25 & 7/6/25 from 4-7pm.

SPECIAL REQUEST: Cathy & Judith reported that the Ad Hoc committee appointed by the HGRD Board to decorate the lobby, restaurant & ballroom for Christmas is still in need of more volunteers. If you can help, that committee will meet in the lobby on the Friday after Thanksgiving. Contact Judith or Cathy for details.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, Dec 2, 2024, 1pm, Activity Room A.

Respectfully submitted by,

Marla Pierce, Sec.