## RAC DINING SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING AND MINUTES

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

## MEETING OPENED WITH A QUORUM: 2:05 pm - in Club Room

<u>PRESENT:</u> Louise Cochran - Chairperson, Stan Zarinsky - Secretary, Karl Buffington, Bonnie Roth, Jennie Flietner, Gerri Cureton, Pearl Ashe, Chef Chris Wynn, Jennifer Gonzalez - Dining Room Manager, Ashley Ryckman - American Grill Manager, Jean Aronson - Temporary RAC Rep.

**NOT PRESENT**: Jane Brady

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Approved Unanimously with one correction by Gerri Cureton that temperature be 'lower' in the Nile instead of 'higher'.

**OLD BUSINESS: None** 

NEW BUSINESS COMBINED WITH CHEF'S MENU CHAT: Installation of kitchen equipment is virtually complete. However, hood needs modification and new parts. Effort is being made to amend existing plans which will, hopefully, take less time for County approval rather than have new drawings made and submitted. Staff is considering the hiring of an expediter. Upon County approval, contractor will proceed with required work. There is hope that kitchen will be totally ready for use on/about April 1, 2020.

General Store in Grill will be upgraded to include more sundry items plus ready to eat sandwiches and salads; Hagan Daz ice cream and sugar free flavored bottled water. Still anticipated is that the Grill will start opening on Sundays on/about June 1, 2020.

In a general discussion, Theresa pointed out that Residents are removing and taking to their apartments excessive amounts of salads and desserts. To defuse rumors to the contrary, meals are continuing at \$7.50. We have new salt and pepper shakers in the dining rooms.

Theresa indicated that improvements to food preparation and presentation is being made at Plaza West, Homewood and Memory Care.

A Resident advised that he tripped over a walker in the dining room. Accordingly, a recommendation was made to have servers ask politely to remove walkers after Residents have gotten their food and to return walkers upon request.

<u>COMMENT CARDS</u>: Karl Buffington collated and presented results of 33 cards received since last meeting. 18 were positive; 12 were negative and 3 were mixed.

<u>NEXT DINING SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING:</u> Will be held on Wednesday, April 1, 2020 at 2:00 PM, in the Club Room.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 3:12 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Stan Zarinsky