



## Vision Impaired Persons Committee Minutes

Oct.6, 2020

Evelyn Snoeren called the meeting to order at 2 p.m.

The members in attendance were Phyllis Black, Kim Freeman, Joe Graff, Mary Houston, Barbara Kirchner, Tomi Reneau and Pam Roberts.

### **Report and Review of New Elevators:**

Evelyn introduced Larry Chambers, Chair of the Management appointed FF&E Committee who review furniture, fixtures, and equipment from all points of view. He attended to hear concerns about the projected new elevator system as it pertains to persons with impaired vision. Discussion was held about the new elevators and signage and placement of the signs on the floor. Concerns were made that having the floors announced by a sound system would be very helpful.

Additional discussion was made about the interest of having contrasting colors between the floor of the elevators and the floor of the hall. The contrast of colors is helpful to those with limited vision

Larry was not able to make any commitments but would take our concerns to their future meetings. The initial bid has gone out to vendors.

Phyllis Black spoke to the brochure that we need to update. The brochure will be placed on the table at the entrance to inform new residents and residents about the program. Color was discussed and it was determined that a light yellow with black print would make the brochure stand out as opposed to all the others that are white.

### **Joe Graff: Round Table Group:**

It is suggested that confidentiality is important regarding comments made during Group Discussion meetings. The group will continue on Tuesdays at 10:00 am

### **Joe Graff: Book Club:**

If enough people are interested, Joe Graff would start it up again. *A Land Remembered* was suggested as a book to read and discuss. Suggested that a sign-up sheet be put up to see if there are any interest. Talking Books might be required.

The Mission Statement of VIP will state that a Talking Book Club will be offered. Tomi made moved to do this and was seconded by Pam Roberts, and it was passed.

**Barbara Kirchner: Guest speakers:**

50 people can now attend. Meetings, with distancing and masks. Barbara is going to look into a speaker on gadgets. Maybe tables could be set up so that those in attendance could walk around the room to see the items on display

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