

RAC TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes – Conference Room April 28, 2022

Chairperson Dianne Bergman called the meeting to order at 10:00AM.

Members Present: Dianne Bergman, Jean Aronson, Tom Hart, Sam Montana, Doug Heym, Bruce Clatterbuck, and Mike Anderson.

Members Absent: Harry Hintz (excused), Tom Altshuler, Don Vore (excused), Sandy Goldstein, Don Dionne, Gary Natbony, Larry Chambers (excused), Sarah Chambers (excused), Dee Dee Montana (excused), and Ron Sweet (excused).

- **1.** The roll call confirmed that a quorum was **not** present, and the agenda was provided in advance by email.
- 2. The minutes of the March 24, 2022 meeting were approved by email on March 31st.

3. Chairperson's Report:

Because of the lack of a quorum, we discussed several topics; no votes were taken.

- Being a working committee, we can have residents who participate in the work of the committee without being elected to it. We discussed the upcoming Committee elections cycle.
- We may partner with the SCC Computer Club on classes and training for PC computers and Android/Google phones. We do not have anyone from the Committee that is willing to take the lead on this subject. Sam Montana proposed that we contact Phil Sorrentino. He is an experienced instructor with the SCC Computer Club who has plenty of classes available for seniors. Sam and Tom Hart will pursue this further.
- We may pursue a link on the RACREP.org website to allow residents to access classes and training. No further action is planned at this time.
- Angie Rohr has agreed that we need a storage space for donated items received from residents. This would also function as a very small one to one meeting space for individual training. Mike Anderson will pursue this further with Angie.
- Jean Aranson will provide an Alexa display for the upcoming RAC Committee Fair this month. Tom Hart and others will be present to provide brochures and answer questions.
- Bruce Clatterbuck is interested in creating a quarterly Tech Tips entry in the Weekly.

4. Training Report:

- The resident session on iPhones Basics was presented on Wednesday, March 27th in the Club Room. There were 20 residents in attendance and the feedback was very positive. We plan to continue this series and alternate with Android/Google phones when an instructor is found.
- We are continuing to seek a volunteer to assist with Android and Google phones in future training sessions.
- We currently have reserved the <u>last Wednesday of every month at 10AM in the Club Room</u> for our small group technology help sessions.
- Future topics for seminars include:
 - Streaming video; what it is
 - How to use your WiFi efficiently
 - Touchtown and how to use it
 - o Tips for online security; possibly a quarterly reminder in the Weekly bulletin
 - When to replace your home computer
 - Android and Google phones and tips for users
 - iWatch tips and tricks
 - wearable fitness devices
- Tom Hart has talked to Siby to see if we can get a representative from Spectrum here in Freedom Plaza for a short presentation and Q&A session. We would like residents to see what Spectrum has to offer and present tips on how to use their services effectively. This is still in the works.
- The SCC Computer club can take unwanted hardware for disposal and insure that old data is removed. Lavinia Knapp is helping residents in this area also.

5. Unfinished Business:

- The Freedom Plaza Technology Guide is still in process, being developed by Jean Aronson. It is intended for new and current residents to provide basic data on technology issues.
- We will continue to prioritize future "Tech Training Sessions" at our next meeting.
- The next meeting will be on May 26, 2022 @ 10:00AM in the 4th Floor Conference Room.
- **6.** Chairperson Dianne Bergman adjourned the meeting at 11:00AM.

Respectively submitted, Tom Hart Secretary