



Resident Association Council Meeting Minutes

9:00 a.m. July 29, 2022

Freedom Plaza Clubroom

President Sweet called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members present via roll call: Penny Boyne, Veanna Cape, Sarah Chambers, Carolyn Clark, Carol Croll, Gary Keegan, Helen Halm, Janis Harris, Letha Jones, Helen McAninch, Carol O'Brien, Carolyn O'Neill, Chuck Roth, Ron Sweet, Janet Warren and Kathy Vore.

Excused Absences: Tim Broad, Jeanne Nenarella, Al Roberts

Proxy: Pam Roberts for Al Roberts

Guests: Don Vore; Bill Turcotte

The roll call confirmed a quorum.

The June 24, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes were previously approved via email distribution and response by a majority of Council members confirmed by Secretary Warren.

VP Sarah Chambers moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

President Sweet introduced Bill Turcotte who attended the Council meeting to express his committee's preference to permit the former Movie Subcommittee of Community Activities to be a "Movie Club". He emphasized that he personally monitors the activities of the "Movie Club" on a regular basis and will continue to monitor the group regularly to ensure that the Group functions well in order to present films for the residents. President Sweet reported that he has received complaints that the "Movie Club" is showing only "old people" movies. He suggested that there should be a wider variety of movies shown including current movies and the group should be more responsive to residents' requests. He noted that clubs do not have term limits, and there is a need to add more people in order to bring in fresh ideas.

V.P. President Chambers stated that the Movie Club can not arbitrarily disengage from the Community Activities Committee without Council approval by vote. After further discussion of pros and cons, VP Chambers moved and Carol Croll seconded that the Council vote on the question should the RAC Movie Subcommittee be disestablished? The motion was carried with 13 votes. The RAC Council is allowing the RAC Movie Committee to be disestablished.

New Business:

Gary Keegan, Liaison to the RAC Technology Committee reported that this group prefers, by vote, to keep the same organization that keeps technicians listed as voting committee members. There is a problem in that some technicians do not want to attend meetings, but do want to respond to the needs of residents who request help. ROC assigns technicians for specific

services and, along with technicians, is very instrumental in providing a wide range of services to residents. Under present RAC guidelines technicians who are on two committees are not permitted to be on a third committee and when absent three times they are not members, and thus are eliminated. There is a need for more technicians, not less.

If technicians who possess valuable skills withdraw from their commitment to serve the community, the RAC Technology Committee would forfeit the initial reason for establishing the Committee two years ago. Additionally, if they become a club, they would lose the services of ROC, the RACREP website on which residents make requests, and back-up support from management. President Sweet appointed a committee to study the situation and make recommendations. There is a need to consider alternatives and new workable guidelines for the Technology Committee that would permit the participation of both committee members and technicians as two groups. Those on the committee are Gary Keegan, Helen McAninch, Carolyn Clark, and Ron Sweet.

New Business:

VP Chambers asked the Council to consider three new names for the RAC Orientation Handbook. There has been a problem with residents confusing it with the Freedom Plaza Orientation handbook. Out of nine names submitted from undisclosed persons there were three presented for vote by the Council: Nuts and Bolts, RAC Fact Finder, and Insider's Scoop What You Need to Know. There were 5 votes each for Nuts and Bolts, Fact Finder and Insiders Scoop. Sarah Chambers broke the three way tie to give Insiders Scoop 6 winning votes.

Vice-President's Report: Sarah Chambers

VP Chambers reported that the VIP Committee is in the process of reorganization after losing several members. All committees, except Technology and VIP have responded to a request for the names of officers and members

Health Care Chair Janet Warren reported that the Health Care Committee now has full membership after losing all members members last year.

Adjournment:

Helen McAninch moved and Veanna Cape seconded that the meeting is adjourned. Council members attended the RAC General Meeting which featured reports from the RAC Housekeeping Committee, Letha Jones Chair; and the RAC Golf Committee, Marty O'Neill, Chair.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Warren, RAC Secretary