

Associate Appreciation Committee Meeting Minutes August 11, 2023 Freedom Plaza Club Room

The meeting was called to order at 1 pm by Committee Chairperson Janet Blackshire.

Members present:

Judi Allen; Janet Blackshire, Chairperson; Helen Halm; Doug Heym; Kathy Mahoney; Bobbie O'Neill; Judy Schmidt, Secretary and Diane Turcotte

Absent: Diana Parrish, Treasurer

The roll call confirmed a Quorum.

Chair's Report:

Janet reported that former committee member Kim Freeman is now at The Inn. Janet was able to visit Kim when she was at The Inn for their weekly Church Service.

Diana has had some response as a result of the letter which was included in the *July* financial statements sent to family and/or friends of the residents of PW, The Inn, FPAL, and the Arbors. The letter explains:

- (1) the purpose if the RAC Employee Appreciation Fund
- (2) the GOAL for this year
- (3) the cut-off date for donations
- (4) the necessary information that needs to be put on their check and
- (5) the option of completing the front side of the check, and mailing it to Diana Parrish, Treasurer, to stamp the back of their check and deposit it in the bank. Diana sends a personal note to let the person know that she received the check, how much we appreciate it, and that the check has been deposited in the bank.

Secretary's Report: Minutes for the July meeting were approved by email and forwarded to Janet Warren. They are posted on the Racrep.org website.

Treasurer's Report: Diana Parrish sent the treasurer's report with Janet and the balance as of 8/11/2023 is \$99,976. The goal thermometer will be displayed starting 9/1/2023.

Unfinished Business: The idea of having a committee Chair and Co-Chair instead of one Chairperson was not well-received by the RAC Executive Committee.

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Doug Heym distributed packets for new residents that moved in recently.

New Business:

The collection table on September 6, 2023 will be staffed by Kathy Mahoney, Bobbie O'Neill and Diana Parrish. Bobbie will set up the table.

In September committee members will sign up for the Check Distribution times on December 8, 11 and 13. In October committee members will sign up for the Directors that they will deliver packets to. The Director's Packets will be available at the November meeting.

Doug Heym suggested having a fund raiser piano concert featuring Bobby van Deusen. Bobby is the pianist who performed at the United Methodist Church of Sun City Center on August 4, 2023. After a brief discussion, committee members decided not to pursue the idea at this time.

Chairperson Janet Blackshire adjourned the meeting at 2:05 PM.

The next meeting will be Friday, September 8, 2023 at 1:00 pm in the Club Room.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Schmidt, Secretary