



Resident Association Council Meeting Minutes

9:00 a.m. April 26, 2024
Freedom Plaza Club Room

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

Council members present: Pearl Birnbaum, Veanna Cape, Ron Carter, Pam Cummings, Doug Heym, Harry Hintz, Letha Jones, Joyce McCutcheon, Carolyn O'Neill, Al Roberts, Bill Turcotte, Janet Warren, Ron Wesorick

Absences: Sue Schuldt, Alice Aragon (proxy Anne Skinner) and Carol O'Brien (proxy Becky Stefenelli)

Attending: Don Vore, Technical Advisor

The Secretary confirmed a quorum was present.

A motion to adopt the Agenda was moved by Ron Carter and seconded by Pearl Birnbaum. Motion carried.

The March 22, 2024 RAC Council meeting minutes were previously approved via email distribution and response by a majority of Council members confirmed by the Secretary. The minutes were approved.

President's Report: The President reported that RAC Reps may have received emails that appear to be from him asking for help or for gift cards. He warned everyone not to reply if they receive one of these emails as they are scam emails.

Vice President's Report: The Vice President reported that it is time to look for committee volunteers' whose terms will begin July 1. Memos were sent to the committee chairs for updated information on their memberships and all have responded. In early May, memos will be sent to all residents through the in-house mail explaining the process along with a list of all the committees. All committees

will be featured at the May general meeting rather than having a separate committee fair. A week before the May meeting actual applications will be sent to all residents inviting them to check off the committees they are interested in. Additional copies of the application will be available at the general meeting.

Old Business:

- **Dress Code**

Kathy Vore gave a brief history of the dress code. Ron Sweet sent it to the Dining Committee where it was tabled until the new dining program was rolled out and we got through the transition. In February, Dining Services sent it back to RAC without comment or recommendation. Since then, the ExComm has been working on a revision of the dress code. The draft was presented and discussed. Some of the RAC reps indicated that they asked their residents for suggestions which were discussed. Doug Heym pointed out that it is a policy not a rule. Pam Cummings suggested we add the word "Recommended". MOTION: Al Roberts moved to accept the Dress Code as written except to add the word "Recommended" at the top of the page. Seconded by Carolyn O'Neill. Motion carried. Bill thanked the committee for the work they did to draft the dress code.

- **Host Program**

Veanna Cape gave a short history of the host program. At the December 2022 council meeting the host responsibilities were transferred to RAC Reps with the dissolution of the Host Coordinator program. The New Resident Orientation Committee which was tried has not worked out. ExComm suggests the council should return host responsibilities to the Host Coordinator program. Sarah Chambers is interested in holding the position of Host Coordinator which she did until December 2022. She will work to provide a host/hostess to work with new residents to assist them in becoming oriented to their new home by giving them a copy of the RAC Insider, a tour of the building if they like and inviting them to eat occasional meals. The council discussed suggestions and personal experiences with hosts/hostesses. MOTION: Kathy Vore moved to discontinue the New Resident Orientation Committee and return to the Host Coordinator program

matching a current resident with a new resident in order to make them feel welcome by giving them a copy of the RAC Insider, a tour of the building if they like and inviting them to eat occasional meals with them which will be a separate program from RAC. Seconded by Carolyn O'Neill. Motion carried.

New Business:

- **RAC Rep Responsibilities**

Bill Turcotte presented a draft of what the ExComm suggested the RAC responsibilities should be. After much discussion, a motion was deferred to a later meeting. The ExComm will discuss revising the RAC Rep Responsibilities and will present a revised draft to the council for its consideration at the May council meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Doug Heym moved and Ron Carter seconded to adjourn the meeting. The President adjourned the meeting at 10:11 am.

The next Council meeting will be Friday, May 24, 2024 at 9:00 am in the third floor Club Room and the next General RAC meeting will be Friday, May 24, 2024 at 10:00 am in the auditorium.

Respectfully submitted,

Veanna Cape, RAC Secretary