



Resident Association Council Meeting Minutes

9:00 a.m. June 28, 2024
Freedom Plaza Club Room

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

Council members present: Alice Aragon, Pearl Birnbaum, Veanna Cape, Pam Cummings, Sharon Ehrenfeld, Harry Hintz, Letha Jones, Joyce McCutcheon, Carol O'Brien, Carolyn O'Neill, Al Roberts, Bill Turcotte, Kathy Vore

New RAC Representative: Jan Ulics replacing Janet Warren

Absences: Ron Carter (no proxy), Sue Schuldt (proxy Kris Delano), Doug Heym (proxy Tedi Nessas) and Ron Wesorick (proxy Carolyn Clark)

The Secretary confirmed a quorum was present.

A motion to adopt the Agenda was moved by Veanna Cape and seconded by Pam Cummings. Motion carried.

The May 24, 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.

The President reported that Janet Warren resigned as RAC Rep for 7 D/E and that Jan Ulics has agreed to replace her. Jan was sworn in as the new RAC Rep for 7 D/E. The Council expressed its appreciation to Janet Warren for her extensive work as RAC Secretary and RAC Rep for 7 D/E over the past several years, sometimes under challenging circumstances. Additionally, her continued dedication as Chair of the Health Care Committee is noted and very much appreciated.

President's Report: The President reported that he spoke with Stephanie O'Fallon regarding advising a RAC Rep when a resident moves to an apartment on their floor/wings from another floor. Stephanie will advise Veanna Cape of the moves and Veanna will advise the appropriate RAC Rep.

The President reported on the tram issue for medical appointments. The Executive Director suggested that RAC make a proposal on possible solutions. Kris Delano reported on a draft proposal that the Administrative Services Committee is working on. After the draft is approved by the Administrative Services Committee, he will provide a copy to the ExComm for their review before being distributed to the council members.

The President reported that the ExComm discussed the suggestion from the May meeting about sending notices of new residents to all RAC Reps. The ExComm determined that this would be “overkill” and was not necessary.

Vice President’s Report: The Vice President reported on the Committee Election process. The response at the general meeting was good. Most committees had several residents volunteer. A final update will be given at the July council meeting.

The Vice President reported that she is working on a draft describing how information is distributed to new residents. A final draft will be provided to the RAC Reps for discussion at the July meeting.

The Vice President reported that a new liaison will be needed for the Health Care Committee.

Secretary’s Report: The Secretary thanked Joyce McCutcheon for volunteering to keep the Council Minute Record Book up to date. As she pointed out at a previous meeting, minutes of the Council meetings are to be available to all Residents in a location accessible to all Residents. This book is in the Resident Resource Room and is now up to date.

Joyce brought up that F.S. 651 requires financial statements to be available to all residents. At this time there is a sign in the library saying that residents should ask the Finance Director to see them. The President will discuss with the Executive Director about putting them in the Resident Resource Room with the Council Minute Record Book.

Old Business:

- **Front Desk Voice Response Menu**

Pam Cummings provided a phone number which goes directly to the Front Desk Manager bypassing the voice response menu. It is 813-642-1272. A suggestion was made to place a notification in the Weekly so all residents will be aware of it.

New Business:

- **Name Change of Sports Committee**

The Vice President reported that the Chairman of the Sports Committee has requested the committee's name be changed to Outdoor Sports Committee. MOTION: Kathy Vore moved that the name of the Sports Committee be changed to Outdoor Sports Committee. Veanna Cape seconded. Motion carried.

- **Approval of New Sports Committee Mission Statement**

The Vice President read and asked for a motion to approve the new mission statement for the Outdoor Sports Committee. MOTION: Pearl Birnbaum moved that the new mission statement for the Outdoor Sports Committee be approved. Letha Jones seconded. Motion carried.

General Discussion:

Pearl Birnbaum asked if the Executive Director will talk about the delays in the dining room at the July town hall meeting. Pearl also questioned the dining price increases without appropriate notice. The President will discuss these issues with the Executive Director.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the President adjourned the meeting at 9:55 am.

The next Council meeting will be Friday, July 26, 2024 at 9:00 am in the third floor Club Room. The next general meeting will be Friday, July 26, 2024 at 10:00 am in the auditorium.

Respectfully submitted,
Veanna Cape, RAC Secretary