

Patty Turner Center
Members' Council Minutes
January 14, 2021

Attendance: Leo Carter, Barry Davidson, Lorraine Jette, **Karen MacDonald***, Carol Mellem, Gretchen Pagano, Dani Robinson, **Kerry Rohan***, **John Sanner**, Jane Smith, Hermin Velazquez, Mike Zelski.
***not present**

Administration in attendance: PTC Manager, David Shamrock, Nicole Britz and Laura McCarty, Program Manager for the Deerfield Park District.

Call to Order: President Lorraine Jette called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Approval of Minutes: The December 17, 2020, minutes were approved.

Approval of Financial Reports: Treasurer Carol Mellem, present later, submitted a Financial Summary. Dave Shamrock read and reported a current balance of \$13,823.78. See financial report for details.

President's Report:

1. Welcome all to our sixth Zoom meeting and to 2021.
2. A fresh start to this year however, it's difficult to put 2020 completely behind us just yet because of the ongoing COVID-19 threat, and we must continue to make sacrifices until the vaccine is widely distributed.
3. Thanks to all the Council Members for your flexibility, support and Zoom meeting participation.
4. We have voted to financially support some of the PTC Virtual programs for all of our members. We even got a new member from Park Ridge, May Chin who heard about our interesting Virtual Programs.
5. Last month we voted to continue financially supporting free programming in January to help our members and especially those that are sad and lonely. Carol and Lorraine introduced to David an idea to offer our help of a friendly ear and if anyone needed to talk to someone, they could call the PTC. David had already written a wonderful cover letter to accompany the January 2021 calendar, and he added the following sentence: "In closing, as we do not have the opportunity to see each other, know that we are here for you. If you are simply looking for someone to talk to, please consider calling us and we will make arrangements to have someone call you back." If calls did come into the PTC, then the Council Members could call people back like we do when we welcome new member to the PTC.
6. COVID 19 vaccination registration was discussed. Mike Zelski reached out to David and Lorraine regarding PTC membership awareness for COVID 19 vaccine registration at the Lake County Health Department. In case some members may not have been contacted, understand how to proceed or may not have on-line capability, it was suggested to provide LCHD registration information in the membership bulletin. Call [847-377-8130](tel:847-377-8130) or register at allvax.lakecohealth.org and fill out a simple personal information form. LCHD will communicate when community members age 65 and over can get vaccinated.

7. David said John Sanner has moved to Brookdale Assisted Living, is still on the mend, doing well and will continue to join our meetings.

Membership Report: David Shamrock

As of December 23, 2020, 502 active members paid. FYI, see details in the January 14, 2021, Members' Council Meeting Agenda under Membership.

Committee Report: No report

PTC Programming:

- **2021 New Membership ideas and objectives – David Shamrock**

1. Leo Carter will help coordinate new membership recruitment when health normalcy returns.
D. S. goal one new member per month.
2. Focus on outside activities to continue as weather breaks: April 22nd – Plant Sale, May 18th – Car Show, June 6th – Music Paloosa.
3. Stipend has been very helpful but pay Zoom must return to normalcy - some free/some pay programs.

- **Programming Updates: February PTC Bulletin Draft - Nicole Britz**

1. Valentine's Day February 12th, noon, to do a membership appreciation Flower Give Away. Whitehall will supply some treats. Drive by the PTC and pick up at a designated time. "We love our members."
2. Working on a shorter PTC bulletin describing virtual programs and lectures in more detail. Mail out January 22nd. Volunteer help.
3. January 22nd registration form mail outs included in the bulletin. Return with payment.
4. Deerfield/Bannockburn Fire Department is presenting a virtual program on local updates & COVID information February 25th at 9:00 AM.

PTC Staffing Updates:

FYI see Staffing outlined in the in the 01/14/2020, Member's Council Agenda. Staff still keeping PTC on track. A quiet time in the facility.

Closing Comments:

1. Laura McCarty said the Park District is still in tier #3 restrictions since November 20th so all indoor programming stopped and awaiting the governors move from tier #3 to #2 (restrictions slightly less). Only virtual and some outdoor programs occurring.
3. Congratulations to D. Shamrock beginning 10 years working at PTC.
2. D. Shamrock emphasized that Zoom Bingo is fun and ongoing. Whitehall provides gifts.
4. Members annual tax assistance help is free but helpers looking for a facility to host. Not in PTC. AARP may provide virtual assistance. This year may not do anything with tax assistance if current restrictions remain in place. Members may have to look at outside assistance.

Adjournment: Vote to end meeting at 9:50 AM

Next Members' Council Meeting: Thursday, February 11, 2021, at 9:00 AM.

Minutes submitted by:

Mike Zelski, Members' Council Secretary Date: 01/19/2020