**Patty Turner Center**

**Members’ Council Minutes**

September 9, 2021

**Attendance**: Leo Carter**,** Barry Davidson, Lorraine Jette, Karen MacDonald, Carol Mellem, Dani Robinson, **Kerry Rohan\***, John Sanner, Jane Smith**,** Hermin Velazquez,Mike Zelski.

\***Not present**

**Administration in attendance**: David Shamrock, PTC Manager, 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 August 12, 2021, minutes were corrected and approved.

**Approval of Financial Reports**: Treasurer Carol Mellem submitted a Financial Summary reporting a current balance of $24,992.27. The Foundation-PTSC Program Fund of $7,945 was the major portion of income increase from last month. It includes memorial donations from December 2020 to May 2021, in honor of Ralph Squaqlia, Elizabeth Silverman, Dorothy Caruso and Mr. & Mrs. Carnelli Fishbein.

Gretchen Pagano is not included in this group. See September financial report for more details.

**President’s Report:**

1.Welcome all to our fourteenth Zoom meeting. A decision was made not to have an in-person meeting.

2. The mask mandate for everyone is back to the PTC until further notice.

3. Council members helping Nicole with the mailing of the September Bulletin were greatly appreciated. A special thanks to Carol for labeling all the envelopes the day before.

4. Several PTC attendees enjoyed a super, fun trip to Arlington Park Race Track before the final closing.

5. Patty Ellis accepted our offer when Leo called her to rejoin the Members’ Council beginning November of this year. Her term will go until December 2023. Action to replace John Sanner and Kerry Rohan with a slate of candidates will happen in October. George Zuurbier, Sid Moore, Peter Fitzgerald and Marc Ziner are the names of potential candidates. Carol Mellem announced her retirement as the Members’ Council treasurer. Her bonus year ends December 31, 2021. Karen McDonald’s may want to continue another year. Her bonus year ends December 31, 2022.

6. Next month we will vote on the best Council candidate members so the nominating committee can contact them and get back to the Members’ Council in November.

**Membership Report:**

1.Leo discussed possible plans for the new members reception event October 6th. It’ll be held outside or inside near the atrium. We may meet other candidates for possible new membership.

2. Jane, Lorraine & Barry assigned to make welcome calls to six PTC new members acquired in August. If new members can’t be contacted by phone, leave a message to call the PTC with any questions. David Shamrock projected around 50 attendees based on the last new members reception October 20, 2019.

3. Leo gave ideas for recruiting new members in community outreach activities such as waiting rooms of hospitals, beauty shops, the library and Doctors’ office reception areas. Possibly could have postage paid postcards with card holders to fill out and mail in.

2. D. Shamrock reported a 500+ active member base and listed the names of the six new August members. YTD 41 new PTC members. Invitations to a New Members’ Reception October 6th will be sent out after Labor Day. FYI, see more details in the 09/09/2021, Members’ Council Meeting Agenda under Membership.

3. A PTC ad is placed for a targeted audience in the next Marriott Theater Play Bill. Opening date is being determined.

**PTC Programming: Nicole Britz:**

**1.** The 30-day September Program Calendar was completed and mailed out. The calendar is filled with daily virtual (ZOOM) programs and in-person activities. Nicole lists PTC updates and upcoming plans for September/October as outlined in the 09/09/2021 Members’ Council Meeting Agenda.

2. She pointed out that the Dementia Caregiver Support Group was in-person, had a good turn out and great to do as often as possible. The Art Program is also popular and well attended.

3. The Cubs/Brewers game have 48 PTC fans signed up for the September 19th game in Milwaukee.

4. The “Ragtime” play at the Skokie Old Orchard theater October 28th will require a vaccination card or negative covid test.

5. The poor sound quality of some joint in person/Zoom Tuesday Men’s Morning programs was addressed. Zoom is not perfect, and the issues usually are with computers and some speakers not projecting their voice. Improvements are constantly investigated for making improvements.

6. The COVID 19 vaccination program is officially over, refrigeration equipment removed and the multi-purpose room back for PTC programming.

7. David S. said the Mumpkin Fest is 9:30 – 11:00 AM, 9/25/21, at PTC outside selling pumpkins and mums. Leo will have a membership table display.

8. Healthy Lifestyle Expo outside PTC is 9:00 – 12:00 PM, 10/2/21. Walgreens is providing flu shots and the Lake County Health Department COVID 19 shots.

**PTC Operation Staffing Updates**:

Nicole, David and Antonio continue maintaining the PTC facilities. Marcella Garrett will work on the front desk two mornings per week. She’ll fine tune the members roster and new members’ list. Margie Fischer works one to two afternoons per Week. The Podiatrists and Massage Therapist are still scheduled to return in person one day a month. See Staffing in the 09/09/2021 Members’ Council Agenda for more details.

**Closing Comments:**

1**.** Laura said Mitchell Pool is closed for the season.

2. The October 23rd Halloween Hoopla needs a few volunteers taking tickets and is mainly an outdoor event.

3. The DPD eagerly awaits the September announcement of the 2021 National Gold Medal Awards for Excellence in Parks and Recreation Management and the Grand Plaque award.

4. D. Shamrock asked us to think about how we can proceed to do the Members Winter Party that is one of our largest events.

5. Ashley Delany, from White Hall, will be on site to help support the Healthy Lifestyle Expo October 2, will have a display table and supply wrapped cinnamon rolls.

6. The PTC parking lot was recently sealed and looks great.

**Adjournment:** Meeting ended at 10:00 AM

**Next Members’ Council Meeting**: Thursday, October 14, 2021, at 9:00 AM.

**Minutes submitted by**: Mike Zelski, Members’ Council Secretary Date: 09/30/21