

Patty Turner Center
Members' Council Minutes
November 11, 2021

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

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 October 14, 2021, minutes were corrected and approved.

Approval of Financial Reports: Treasurer Carol Mellem reported the Financial Summary having a current balance of \$30,872.78. The bulk of the increase over last month came from the Foundation-PTSC Program Fund including donations to Gretchen Pagano. Lorraine Jette thanked Carol for her service as the Council Treasurer. See October financial report for more accounting details.

President's Report:

1. Welcome all to our 2nd in person Members' Council meeting in the PTC library.
2. The PTC indoor mask mandate remains in place until further notice.
3. Thanks to the Council members that helped Nicole with the mailing of the November Bulletin.
4. Lorraine called a Salute to Veterans Day, and asked the veterans on our Council to give brief descriptions of their military service. Leo Carter, John Sanner, Hermin Velazquez, Barry Davidson and Nicole Britz gave brief descriptions and were given an appreciated round of applause.
5. For the Nominating Committee, Leo reported on his discussions with Sid Moore who we voted on last month to replace retiring John Sanner. Sid is excited to join the Council.
6. Patti Ellis had to decline being on the Council due to health concerns. Lorraine Clark was nominated and has a great background as she was President and Treasurer of the Council in the past. The vote for Lorraine Clark was unanimous and one of the members from the Nominating Committee will contact her. John Maxson and Sid Moore will also be joining the Council on January 1, 2022, for a three-year term.
7. Leo is leaving his Council role as Membership Coordinator so we're still looking for someone to fill that position. Leo and Lorraine will help out the new coordinator.

8. In review, a few months ago David Shamrock asked us to give thought to Holiday ideas and brought up Holiday "Give Back Ideas" for the members and the Council. David described the Winter Event as always being a big event with food. Instead, because of restrictive COVID food guidelines it was voted to provide Thanksgiving pies. David sent invitations to the PTC membership asking to make a reservation to come by the PTC front entrance November 23, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and pick up a complimentary Thanksgiving apple or pumpkin pie. It was a very popular idea. Members were excited and grateful. Initially, over 100 members made reservations to pick up. Apple pie was the most popular. Sam's Club will provide the pies, and we'll only pay for the amount needed. We have to pick up the pies. Four volunteers are asked to help distribute them as members come into the lobby for pickup or will take it to their car if required. Labels with names will be affixed to the desired pie with a Happy Thanksgiving message from the Council.

9. Laura McCarty announced the Village of Deerfield Winter Market and Marketing opportunities will take place December 4th from 9 – 2 pm outside at the site of the recent Farmers Market. Crafters and food vendors will setup. The PTC will be promoted. We're hoping for good weather.

10. With all of the PTC holiday upcoming activities, David refreshed us on the Members' Council mission to oversee the membership financial fund revenues and expenses for programs and services for the betterment of the membership. It's not to fund any self-serving or non-member event. Therefore, the Council brunch after the Council meeting on Thursday, December 9, from approximately 11:30 am – 2:00 pm at the Ravinia Green Country Club will be out of pocket. David S. mentioned the Council brunch to Ashley Delaney, Whitehall, and she eagerly wants to be a part of the celebration helping support by paying council members \$40 per person cost. Members will pay \$40 for spouses. Lorraine said we'll have a separate room that has been super-sanitized and a fantastic champagne breakfast and brunch menu with personalized chef cooking services. Lorraine handed out written invitations to the members' council.

11. Dick Southon will set up his Holiday Lobby Lionel Train Display.

Membership Report:

D. Shamrock reported a 500+ active member base, 44 new members since January 1, and two new members in October. November PTC Bulletin mailed on 10/27 & November Membership Renewal mailed on 10/29.

PTC Programming: Nicole Britz:

1. The 30-day Program Calendar through November was completed and mailed out. The calendar is filled with daily virtual (ZOOM) programs and in-person activities, such as the Women's Club, Men's Club and more card playing groups that have picked up with increased demand and activity. Nicole lists the many PTC upcoming activities for November and December as outlined in the 11/11/2021, members' Council Meeting Agenda.

2. A vote was taken to cancel the Poinsettia Pick-Up at PTC as originally planned. David mentioned to think about other membership events.

PTC Operation Staffing Updates:

1. Nicole, David and Antonio continue maintaining the PTC facilities. Marcella Garrett and Margie Fischer support as a skeleton crew. The Podiatrist and Massage Therapist are still scheduled to return in person: Dr. Nick (1st Wednesday/month) and Dr. Liz (2nd Thursday/month). See Staffing in the 11/11/2021 Members' Council Agenda for more details.

2. PTC holiday closings: 11/25 & 26, 12/23 (1/2 day), 12/24 & 25, 12/30 (1/2 day), 12/31, 1/1.

Closing Comments:

1. Laura McCarty said the October 23rd Halloween Hoopla was extremely successful with over 1,000 people in attendance.

2. The DPD is still moving along toward achieving normal. Masks are still required in indoor facilities. Many DPD activities will be coming up. The Optimist Club will be selling Christmas trees.

3. In memory of Colin Powell and as a conclusion to our meeting on Veteran's Day, Lorraine read his 13 "Rules of Leadership" A couple of examples was "Get mad. Get over it"; "Share credit."

4. Lorraine concluded with a Happy Birthday to David Shamrock with a Members' Council signed birthday card. Also, a huge congratulation to David on his upcoming 10-year anniversary at the helm of the PTC.

Adjournment: Meeting ended at 9:56 am.

Next Members' Council Meeting: Thursday, December 9, 2021, at 9:00 am.

Minutes submitted by: Mike Zelski, Members' Council Secretary Date: 11/26/2021