

Patty Turner Center
Members' Council Minutes
December 09, 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, and Nicole Britz.

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

Approval of Minutes: The November 11, 2021, minutes were corrected and approved.

Approval of Financial Reports: Treasurer Carol Mellem reported the Financial Summary having a current balance of \$29,450.97. After some expense adjustments the amount available is \$28,947.43. We came under budget with the pies. Lorraine Jette thanked Carol for her last report and service as the Council Treasurer. Jane Smith is the incoming treasurer. See November financial report for more accounting details.

President's Report: Lorraine Jette

1. Welcomed all to our in-person Members' Council meeting in the PTC library.
2. Lorraine hoped that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. She thinks the PTC and the Council really helped many of our members feel very SPECIAL and able to have a happy Thanksgiving.
3. Lyn Johnson, of Brookdale, gave Thanksgiving dinners to several members at PTC to take home.
4. The 12" apple and pumpkin pie give away November 23 to PTC members was absolutely fantastic, and we are still getting special member notes of thanks. Giving out such large, free pies to amazed members was fulfilling. Council members worked two-hour relief shifts: Barry and Jane 10 am until noon, Lorraine and Herman 12 to 2 pm, Carol and Leo 2 pm until 4 pm. The afternoon slowed down slightly so they helped label PTC envelopes. Carol came in and finished the mailing the next day so it was sent out before Thanksgiving. A special thanks to the helpers. Carol, Leo and Lorraine told stories of personal comments and read thank you letters from several grateful members that received pies. As Carol said, PTC can help make a member's day that don't have many friends and may be lonely. Marilyn and Alan Applebaum were impressed that their last name was spelled correctly on the label. The pie program was a tremendous success.
5. The Nominating Committee: Jane reported that Lorraine Clark, who we voted on last month, accepted the member's position on the Council. We are batting 100% and have a full slate of members on the Council for 2022 with all positions filled. John Maxson, Sid Moore and Lorraine

Clark will join the Council beginning January 13, 2022, and begin their three-year terms. David will send a welcome note.

6. Nicole announced Dick Southon will set up his Holiday Lobby Lionel Train and display. It'll be active on Tuesdays since that day has the most foot traffic and continue through early January.

7. Leo is leaving his Council role as Membership Coordinator to fill the position of Vice President. Hermin Velazquez stepped up and will take over the Membership Coordinator position. Leo and Lorraine will support him with their ideas. A huge thanks to Hermin. Jane is assuming the Treasurer position, and Carol will back her up.

8. David is attending the three-day IAPD/IPRA Conference at the Hyatt Hotel in Chicago on January 27-29th and wanted representation for the PTC. He and a team will make a one-hour power point presentation on the Power of a Members' Council "From Marketing to Membership." Lorraine, Leo and Nicole will join on the subject January 29 from 1:00 – 2:00 pm.

9. Thanks to the Council members that helped Nicole with the mailing of the December Bulletin. Membership renewals were also sent out December 1.

Membership Report:

1. D. Shamrock reported 487+ active members to date and 12 renewals so about a 500-member base. A list with 47 new members since January 1, 2021, with names, addresses and phone numbers was handed out.

2. Three new members (see Council Meeting Agenda) joined in November and will receive a welcome call from John, Barry and Jane.

PTC Programming: Nicole Britz:

Reported on upcoming events in December and January:

1. The Council brunch is after the Council meeting on Thursday, December 9, from approximately 11:30 am – 2:00 pm at the Ravinia Green Country Club. The \$40.00 member cost was supported by Ashley Delaney, Whitehall.

2. The December 12th "Winter Winds" Holiday Band Concert with BBSOD decided to cancel the concert because of COVID concerns and the safety of older band members.

3. A visit to the Dunn Museum is scheduled for January 12 in Libertyville with a Lake County and WW II guided history tour. A luncheon is scheduled at Ristorante Bottai in Libertyville.

4. A fun, upbeat program February 6th with Chicago's "Teatro Zinzanni" luncheon and Cirque Cabaret will feature talented operatic music and singing.

5. There is planning on re-introduction of evening programming events for January and February. Nicole lists several PTC upcoming activities as outlined in the 12/09/2021, Members' Council Meeting Agenda.

6. Nicole and David are looking for more enhanced programming for younger & older members for 2022. All Council members are asked participate and recommend interesting programs encountered. DPD is also looking at more creative program ideas for 2022. David gave thanks to the Council for their providing program support. Get a business card from good entertainers. Generous sponsors help PTC defray costs. John Sanner said Brookdale has good performers and will inquire about availability.

PTC Operation Staffing Updates:

1. David described recent PTC maintenance projects replacing ballast in lighting fixtures and men's restroom plumbing drainage repair issues cause by the building settling over time.

2. Nicole, David and Antonio continue maintaining the PTC facilities. Marcella Garrett and Margie Fischer are part-time support. Search is ongoing for the return of an evening custodian.

3. The Podiatrist and Massage Therapist are still scheduled to return in person: Dr. Nick (1st Wednesday/month) and Dr. Liz (2st Thursday/month). See Staffing in the 12/09/2021 Members' Council Agenda for more details.

4. 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 sent a thank you to Dani and Carol for working an exhibit booth promoting the PTC at the Village of Deerfield Winter Market and Marketing Opportunities December 4th from 9 – 2 pm outside at the site of the recent Farmers Market. The weather was cold, windy and very uncomfortable, but Dani and Carol toughed it out. A few PTC brochures were handed out, and some attendees took a registration form. There was good food, group music and singing entertainment. Boutiques had items for sale. The library decorated paper plates that could be completed at home for family and children entertainment. An estimated 1,000 people attended.

2 Dani and Nicole reported the play at the Holiday Inn Oakbrook at the Drury Lane was great, and our PTC group of 10 was very lively with much socialization and laughter.

3. Dani mentioned she has an upcoming knee surgery.

Adjournment: Meeting ended at 10:00 am.

Next Members' Council Meeting: Thursday, January 13, 2022, at 9:00 am.

Minutes submitted by: Mike Zelski, Members' Council Secretary Date: 12/19/2021