

**Patty Turner Center**  
**Members' Council Minutes**  
March 10, 2022

**Attendance:** Leo Carter, Barry Davidson, Lorraine Clark, Lorraine Jette, **Karen MacDonald\***, John Maxson, Carol Mellem, Sid Moore, **Dani Robinson\***, Jane Smith, **Hermin Velazquez\***, Mike Zelski. **\*Not present**

**Administration in attendance:** David Shamrock, PTC Manager, Nicole Britz, PTC Program Supervisor, and Laura McCarthy, 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 February 17, 2022, minutes were approved.

**Approval of Financial Reports:** Treasurer Jane Smith reported the Financial Summary having a current balance of \$30,821.98. See Members' Council 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. Masks were not required.
2. Sid Moore reported that 58 PTC members signed up for the 2022 golf season beginning April 4<sup>th</sup>. Weekly golfing days are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Golfers are asked to sign up at the PTC so they remain familiar with the facilities.
3. Thanks was given to all who came to support the Deerfield Firemen Chili Bowl. They made delicious chili February 24<sup>th</sup>. It was good to be with approximately 60 of our friends enjoying being back at the PTC and bonding with each other. It was good to see David Shamrock at the microphone saying happy things like good ole normal times. Our firemen friends gave us some great information about safety in our homes. Like Lorraine did, you can arrange to have them come to your home and check the smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
4. Lorraine thanked everyone who came to PTC and helped with the mailing of the March Bulletins. Carol labelled the envelopes ahead of time. Jane, Barry, Leo and Marguerite and Hermin were there along with Lorraine Clark and Sid Moore making work go fast and making it a delightful gathering.
5. Before the PTC was here for us, Townley was a fabulous Women's Club in Deerfield, numbered over 300 members, that held seven luncheon program meetings per year at beautiful Country Clubs in the area. They also had a number of activity sub-groups that got together during the month, and there was a lot of individual involvement when members were young. Lorraine led an Adventures and Excursions group for many years and took all the ladies

on trips just like we do at the PTC. She also led a gourmet cooking group for years. However, members got older, no younger women were joining, and members couldn't handle all the Townley jobs. Townley is now down to about 60 members. For many years, Lorraine has been trying to talk the Townley Board into merging with the PTC and all the ladies come to the Women's Club. Lorraine read a letter that Townley just sent out explaining their decision to dissolve the organization. This is good news for PTC because Lorraine attended one of the final luncheons and was introduced to say a few words. She invited everyone to join the PTC and told them a little bit about it. They sent out the letter she read to us with the list of February programs. Lorraine's next proposed idea, as they are sending one more letter to the 60 members, is to fold up 60 extra PTC Bulletins with a Membership Form and give them to Kay Siess to go with their mailing.

6. David said the Marriott Theater March Play Bill didn't feature a PTC advertisement but will next month while "West Side Story" is playing.

7. We acquired a lot of new members so a New Membership Reception is being proposed for Wednesday, May 11th

**Membership Report: David Shamrock –**

1. Year to date PTC has 525 active members. We acquired 11 new members in January and 10 in February. Leo handed out new member phone call assignments to be returned to him or Hermin.

**PTC Event Highlights: Nicole Britz -**

1. The Members' Council Agenda lists many upcoming programs in March and April.
2. The Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra March 13, featuring "Dancing in the Street: The Music of Motown," drew enough members for three buses.

**PTC Programming Highlights: Nicole Britz -**

1. The Members' Council Agenda lists upcoming programs for March, April, May and June.
2. The Men's club meeting will now feature coffee. About 23 attend onsite Tuesday morning meetings. These meetings will continue to be Zoomed. Zoom also attracts women interested in guest speaker topics.

**Closing Comments:**

1. David S. said David Stirman, evening custodian, returns in March to begin oversight of Tuesday evenings at PTC
2. Laura McCarthy thanked Council Members for being supportive of PTC/DPD programs during the pandemic.
3. Laura said DPD is not requiring masks in facilities. It remains a personal choice.

4. On the evening of March 17<sup>th</sup>, Laura invited everyone to attend the DFD Board of Commissioners volunteer recognition of individuals for a community services award. Lorraine Jette, Leo Carter and Sid Moore will be among those recognized.

5. Lorraine Jette handed each Council Member a three-pack carton with creative art work on tins and bandages that are Assorted Flex Fabric Bandages for use in home, car, and especially for young people in our lives. She also thinks these would be a great gift to give out to the Members who attended the Women's Club Meetings or the Men's Club and maybe the Healthy Lifestyle event in the fall of 2022. We had 135 of the three-pack cartons and we gave about 15 to the Council so we have about 120 left. If we take the three-pack cartons apart, we will have about 360 individual tins to distribute at meetings or at the Healthy Lifestyle Event in the fall. Since the one tin has ointments that will expire in May, Lorraine felt we may want to discard the small ointment packages and replaced them with an extra supply of matching bandages from additional tins she has. We can discuss the best uses for these gifts at our April meeting.

6. John Maxson commented that he believes PTC programs on Zoom are here to stay because they reach and benefit members not able to attend the PTC and from any location in the country.

7. Lorraine gave us an inspirational thought to Simplify Life.

**Adjournment:** The meeting ended at 9:50 am.

**Next Members' Council Meeting:** Thursday, April 14, 2022, at 9:00 am.

**Minutes submitted by:** Mike Zelski, Members' Council Secretary, Date: 03/21/2022