

Patty Turner Center
Members' Council
Minutes of the May 9, 2024, Meeting

I. Welcome and Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Chair L. Carter at 9:00 a.m.
- The following were present: Leo Carter, Lorraine Clark, Sharon Harris, Lee Jashelski, John Maxson, Jane Smith, Paul Ward, and Mike Zelski. Professional staff David Shamrock, Kathleen Muellner, and Laura McCarty represented the Deerfield Park District.
- The following were absent: Lorraine Jetté, Dani Robinson, and Mike Walton.

II. Approval of Minutes and Financial Report

- Approval of the Minutes: Minutes of the April 11, 2024, meeting were presented by J. Maxson and accepted unanimously with no changes (Motion: L. Clark, Second: L. Jashelski).
- February Financial Report: A financial summary was reported by J. Smith showing net income of -\$1,797.85 and a current balance of \$20,233.53. Following a discussion, the Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved (Motion: L. Clark, Second: S. Harris).
- PTC Golf League Report: S. Moore reported that the "Hole in One Fund" was paid out to John McGillen, who scored a hole in one. Starting from zero, contributions to the Hole in One Fund will continue until the next winner. The 2024 golf schedule has been established, including the Yellow Ball Tournament and the Four Man Best Ball Tournament. For 2024, the golf banquet will be moved back to the Patty Turner Center.

III. President's Report

- L. Carter opened the meeting by welcoming participants.
- Open House: There was discussion about the April 17, 2024, Open House. Constructive comments included:
 - There should be more emphasis on non-members or members accompanied by a non-member. The goal should be member recruitment.
 - The background entertainment was too loud for casual conversation.
 - Perhaps the Members Council could have been more engaged in giving tours and providing a presence throughout the building (i.e., positioned at strategic locations for security and to answer questions).

- D. Shamrock reported that K. Muellner continues to develop and implement a new strategy for PTC programming. Under her leadership there has been more diversity of programming with evening and weekend programs that focus on members' interests and schedules while attracting a broader base of new members. She has also assisted with marketing and promoting the PTC's profile in the community.
- D. Shamrock reported that rentals of the PTC (for special events like private functions) are on the rise.
- D. Shamrock reported on the installation of new energy efficient lighting in the Members Room and Library.
- D. Shamrock reported on the installation of new computer controls for the HVAC.
- D. Shamrock reported that the wood floors have been refinished in the Multipurpose Room (A & B) and the Member's Room (B).
- D. Shamrock reported on new furnishings: lobby chairs, ping pong tables, and new billiard pockets. Several people commented that the facility continues to look new, clean, and appealing.
- D. Shamrock reported that the driveway is due to be replaced over the next several months.

IV. Membership

- D. Shamrock reported that active membership totals 560 members including the addition of 11 new members in January, 8 in February, 7 in March, 2 in April, and 4 so far in May, 2024.
- He reiterated that the goal for 2024 is to recruit 130 new members. He asked the Members' Council for assistance in strengthening membership.

V. PTC Program Highlights for April

- K. Mueller reported that the AARP Tax Assistance program was a success and has concluded.
- Other programs reported on by D. Shamrock and K. Muellner include April Brown Bag Bingo (April 10), "Swing into Spring" with the Big Band Sound of Deerfield (April 14), the Open House (April 17), Line Dancing (April 23), and the Chicago Showcase featuring Voodoo Zydeco ((April 24). The excursion to the Art Institute (April 3) and the Milwaukee Art Museum (April 21) were cancelled due to insufficient participation.

VI. Past and Upcoming Events During May

- D. Shamrock and K. Muellner reported on "Tres de Mayo" (May 3), Spring Solstice with Jim Kendros (May 7), May Sub Sandwich with BINGO (May 8), PTC Antique, Classic, and Special Interest Car Show (May 14), Spring Luncheon and Dramatization with Martina Mathieson (May 15), "Magical Munchkin Morning" with Gary Kantor, Chicago Showcase with Wall of Denial (May 22), "Puzzling for Prizes" (May 30), and the PTC Members Champagne Brunch with Saori Chiba (May 31).
- Three of these events were in the morning, two were mid-day, and five were in the evening, demonstrating a new diversity in scheduling.

VII. Closing Comments

- L. McCarty reported that the Park District is focused on summer programming, construction at the administrative offices is coming to completion, and a fundraiser for the Park District Foundation is scheduled. Pools and camps will be opening soon, new pickleball courts will open, a Saturday at Saks is scheduled, and a program to recycle clothing is getting underway. Recruitment of a new executive director is in progress and an announcement will be coming soon.
- D. Shamrock announced that members of the North Shore Camera Club will be exhibiting photographs on the Art Wall.
- D. Shamrock announced that the Patty Turner Center will be closed on Memorial Day, May 27, 2024.
- L. Carter thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting with, "You can't turn back the clock, but you can always rewind it again."
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by John Maxson, Secretary, May 28, 2024.