

## **Minutes for February 7 Meeting**

### **Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 am. Three people with clicker counters verified that there were over 100 people present. We had a quorum.

### **Secretary's Report**

Copies of the minutes for December and January meetings are posted on the bulletin board near the main door to the clubhouse.

Because we require a quorum of three board members to hold a general meeting we were unable to meet on January 17, 2022, so there are no minutes for that date.

Copies of today's minutes will be posted on the same corkboard.

You will find updated calendars, a copy of the bylaws, a one page activity report and a weekly activity report at each table.

### **Treasurer's report**

Ronda reported that she has been unable to close the books for January because she has not received all of the receipts from the debit cards. While we have lost money for some activities that were cancelled or poorly attended, she reported that we have approximately \$11,000 in our accounts, but we do not have all the bank information yet.

### **Nominations:**

Penny announced that nominations were the first item of business. There were copies of the bylaws on each table so people could read the job descriptions. She advised both the person nominating as well as the person being nominated to consider the qualifications required for any given position, to understand the responsibilities and the commitment of time and effort to fulfill the duties of each position. Anyone can nominate people for each office and can nominate more than one person, but only one at a time. People can also nominate themselves.

- Nominations were opened for Director. No one was nominated.
- Nominations were opened for Secretary. No one was nominated.
- Nominations were opened for Treasurer. No one was nominated.
- Nominations were opened for Manufactured Home Representative. No one was nominated.

- Nominations were opened for RV Representative. No one was nominated.

Seeing that there were no nominations, the nominations were closed. Additional nominations will be taken at the next meeting on February 21 and elections will be held on that date.

Penny informed the residents that if there were no elected board officers, the management and the owner will have to consider a Plan B. The park owner will almost certainly need to hire an activity director/event planner if this is to remain an “RV resort.” She has discovered from visiting other parks - and speaking to people who have moved here from other parks, that an unpaid board is no longer acceptable. People have retired here to enjoy their golden years. While most are more than happy to volunteer, and in fact enjoy the camaraderie and opportunity to be productive, they are not willing to devote a full five months to being on a Board, especially without compensation.

### **Director’s report**

- Dawn has resigned.
- There have been many rumors about the TAD productions cancellations.
  - Chicago was cancelled because several members of their band had contracted Covid.
  - O’Canada is a very expensive production, and the cancellation was a mutual decision. We had not sold enough tickets to cover the expenses. We were not held to our financial commitment in either case.
  - The sales for Roy Orbison are going well. To date we have sold 61 tickets at \$20 each for about \$2100. *We need volunteers to help set up Vegas style seating.*
- Les and Nancy have cancelled, but The Caves have agreed to play on the same night and are willing to forego an admission fee for donations, which they will give to the Shriners.
- Our new Facebook page called [ractivities](#) is up and running.

### **Motions:**

- Terri Snyder from Threads of Kindness made a motion that Shuffleboard, Threads of Kindness, and Bingo, whose funds were deposited into the general Rancho Rialto Activities account, may request and receive checks in any amount requested so long as the accounts of these groups have funds on deposit which are greater than the requested amount. The motion was seconded by multiple persons and passed unanimously.

- Debbie Palmer reported that the popcorn machine that Bingo uses is no longer working. Keith Weigel has researched the cost of replacing the element and found that the unit is about \$100, compared to \$300 for a new popcorn popper. However, none of the companies that sell this unit have any in stock and they don't know when they will have them. It's a supply chain issue.
- Sandra Thiesen made a motion to approve up to \$500 to purchase a new popcorn machine. She explained that while the cost was about \$300, the cost of shipping and taxes are unknown and said we would not spend any more than necessary to get a popcorn machine for the activities that sell popcorn. The motion was seconded and passed.

### **New Activity Reports:**

We are going to forgo activity reports for this meeting unless there is a change in your schedule, or you have something new to report regarding a particular activity. We will however give some time to chairs of new activities.

- Diane Weisenburger reported that she is teaching beginning line dancing. They meet at 11 am Monday and Thursday in the clubhouse. She also teaches Low Impact Chair Aerobics Tu-F from 10:00 to 10:30.
- Paulette Ford is teaching beginning pickleball on Monday & Thursday from 6-7pm. Advanced & Intermediate pickleball is available MWF from 8:30-11:00 am and for beginner and advanced beginners recreational pickleball from 8:30-11:00 on Tu & Th.
- Joanie Hartenhoff is starting a group called Shared Memories for widowed people which focuses on support for grief. The first meeting will be Sunday, February 13 from 4-6 pm.
- Janet Farchione reminded us that Cribbage meets on Mondays and starts at 1:00 in the clubhouse. Please come a few minutes early so we can start promptly. She will also be leading Tai Chi on Wednesday & Friday mornings at 10:00 am.

### **Questions & Comments:**

Some of these questions and comments were interspersed throughout the meeting, but I am grouping them together at the end of the minutes for clarity.

- **Daryl Page** indicated that he has struggled with the microphones for Jam sessions. Penny reported that people have ruined the charging stations by yanking the microphones out. In the future the microphones will be powered by

AA batteries and some batteries will be left in the microphone cabinet to replace ones that have lost their power.

- **Helen Howe** inquired about spending \$500 for popcorn. See earlier motion.
- **Ron Miller** (with hair) pointed out that the sales from popcorn support the cost to buy a new machine. Debbie Palmer indicated that they sell approximately \$40 worth each week.
- **Linda Hansberry** regrets having to cancel Potato Bash because of a death in the family.
- **Carol Schumacher** reported that some activities do not turn their money in until March. She also said Mr. McMillan won't spend money on things needed by Rancho Rialto and the activities committee has purchased the chairs, the TVs, and the cupboards.
- **Sandra Thiesen** read a letter to the park owner advising him that Arizona Revised Statute 33-1324 requires the landlord to maintain fit premises and to keep the common areas in a clean and safe condition. It further stated that use of the outdoor recreational areas is free, so no money is collected to allow for maintenance by RRAC. The letter requests that Mr. McMillan advise the RRAC of his intention to maintain his property as the law requires. People who are in agreement with this letter were asked to sign it to show their support.
- **Patsy Michel** thanked the board for all they do.
- **Pat Dern** thanked Ronda and the board for all they do.
- **Ron Miller** (#155) commented on the Valentine Dance featuring the Valentine Express. He and his wife Jane have heard them in other parks and found them to be an awesome musical group that play all kinds of music. He encourages people to bring their own snacks and beverages and enjoy the music.
- **Marni Ekroth** announced that people who need nametags can get them from her or Lora Munsterman. They cost \$8 for singles or \$15 for two. They must be paid in advance and you can order yours at #183 or #182.
- **Lucia Baltezar** talked about leased lots and feels there should be some level of minimum maintenance, especially over the off season, so residents don't have to hire a landscaper or gardener to pull up every tiny little bit of green that comes up.
- **Margaret Parke** encouraged people to step up for a board position and said if we don't have directors it won't be the same.
- **Kitty Sue O'Daniel** volunteered to collect signatures for the letter to Mr. McMillan.
- **Daryl Page** commented that he has been hanging on to money raised by 50/50 at the Jams. He thinks there are no set procedures for handing over these funds.

- **Pat Howe** has lived here since 2009. It's a great place to live. He urged people to put in the time because we need officers.
- **Cindy Lindquist** reported that she used to live at Gila Mountain, which is now also owned by Mr. McMillan. He spent a lot of money on upgrading the park and raised the rent to \$500 a month.
- **Jane Miller** feels that we should keep our options open and would support hiring or compensating a part time activity director.
- **Joanie Hartenhoff** wants the letter to include maintenance not just clean and safe. Sandra explained that the letter refers to an Arizona Statute. We need to stay focused.
- **Jean Poole** expressed her opinion that the board is a full time job.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:51.