

HELLO NEIGHBORS SOCIAL COMMITTEE MINUTES
JULY 30, 2021

Mission Statement

“Hello Neighbors Social Committee’s purpose is to enable the KCCA community to engage in warm and welcoming social activities while maximizing residents’ involvement, initiating interactions and building new relationships.”

Attending: Peggy Trees, Nancy Hayes, Ginny Jones, Terri Johnson, Jeannie Alexander, Elaine Sims, Dianne Wilson, Mary Lou Russ; new members Sherry Smith, Dennis Williams, Rosemary Dutra, Merrilyn Nelson, Millie Dettra, Mary Minor; and Jim Minor, new KCCA Board of Directors Liaison.

Membership: See above. Peggy initiated introductions and wellness check-ins and asked each individual to confirm interest in being a member of the Hello Neighbor Social Committee. Ginny Jones said she will participate until her planned move; Millie Dettra and Merrilyn Nelson told Peggy after the meeting that they do not want to be HNSC members.

Welcome bags: During the time KCCA activities were shut down, an informal coalition of individuals delivered welcome bags to new residents. The committee agreed to take over that practice in addition to conducting First Sunday and New Resident Meetings as has been done in the past.

The committee agreed to deliver bags in the future to new residents who do not attend the first New Resident Meeting they are invited to, and to include with the bags the same type of information about KCCA and the nearby area that is handed out at the New Resident Meetings. Jeannie and Jim Minor will provide that information. Nancy will write letters to new residents inviting them to the Meeting and tally the responses so the committee can provide appropriate refreshments. Posters will advertise the events, and Jeannie announced that work is currently being done to make it possible to post such information on the KCCA website. Judy Holmes will not be a HNSC member, but she will continue to make gift

bags. Jeannie will plant succulents for the next round of bags and she and Dianne will coordinate preparing and distributing the bags.

The committee scheduled the next New Resident meeting for Sunday, August 15 and both First Sunday and New Resident meetings for Sunday, September 5. First Sunday meetings begin at 1 p.m. New Resident's Meetings start at 2 p.m. Terri will check in participants; Peggy and Nancy will address the groups and coordinate tours of the facilities. Dianne will provide drinks and treats for August 15th.

Coffee Time: Hello Neighbors will coordinate future Coffee Times, Monday through Friday from 9-11, though a start-up date has not been determined. Jeannie and Jim will check supplies.

Labor Day Pot Luck: Jeannie announced that the Labor Day Potluck is scheduled for Monday, September 6 from 11:30 to 1:30. Committee members will arrive at 10:30 to prepare. Dennis and Mary Lou will set up tables and chairs. HNSC will provide place settings, iced tea, coffee and Jeannie will bring a large protein dish, iced tea, and lemons; Dennis will bring ice. The committee will not offer 50/50 at potlucks or welcome meetings.

Dianne will announce the potluck on Nextdoor; Jim will see if the event can be posted on the KCCA home page and confirm that the Board of Directors approves the currently scheduled HNSC events.

Movie Time: Terri and Dennis will take the lead on Movie Time in the future, working to learn the system from Ginny.

Future Events: The committee discussed hosting a Harvest party with a costume contest (Merrily offered to help with center pieces), a Thanksgiving potluck and a Christmas get-together. Peggy encouraged suggestions, noting that variety in events and activities is the committee's approach.

Upcoming Meetings: The committee agreed to continue meeting on the first Friday of the month from 10-11:30 in the Clubhouse Multipurpose Meeting Room, and to facilitate a resumption of activities after the Covid shutdowns, to meet on August 20 at the same time, in the same place.