

## HELLO NEIGHBORS SOCIAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

### March 4, 2022

The meeting began at 10:05 a.m.

#### **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:** Rosemary Dutra, Nancy Hayes, Terri Johnson, Pat Rigby, Mary Lou Russ, Peggy Trees, Dennis Williams.

**Opening:** Peggy asked if members wanted to have copies of both the agenda for the current meeting and the minutes of the last meeting distributed for everyone in attendance. The committee agreed that only the agenda was desirable since minutes are emailed to everyone.

**New Residents Meeting:** Peggy noted that detailed plans are in place; she is working on gifts and committee members who are helping should be at the clubhouse at 1:30 pm.

**Valen-grams Recap and Debrief:** Rosemary said 40 were sold at \$5 each giving the committee a profit of \$181.75. 40 have been requested for next year, and recipients made clear that this a wonderful project for the community. Pat said one person she delivered to was amazed, saying, "This is for me?" In addition to the balloon, bag of candy, and card, each balloon also had a valentine cookie made by Peggy, heart-shaped cookies, with detailed decorations. One take away is that we need to have more people working on this next year. Rosemary spent two and a half days on the event, and Peggy made the cookies in addition to assembling and delivering the Valen-grams so the two of them bore the load of planning and preparation.

#### **Movie Time**

- Dennis and Terri say participation continues to increase, and they ask participants for suggestions about films to show. *Belfast* is the film for April; *Top Gun* for May which is when *Top Gun 2* will be released.

#### **Pies of March**

- Peggy noted that details and work assignments are clearly outlined in the minutes of the February meeting.

- Pat questioned whether flyers for the event tell people who want to bring pies who to contact; the March newsletter has Nancy's name and number and she has been receiving calls.
- Nancy showed an extra large poster (20" x 30") for the event, printed by accident, and a discussion of the committee's need for an easel and for sandwich boards ensued. The committee agreed to look into options and talk about this more in the future.
- Dennis volunteered to prepare the extra large poster, possibly using foam boards from Pat, to display in the clubhouse.
- Nancy is sending the flyer to Deborah to be printed; Terri will pick the copies up and post them. She will also ask office staff at the apartments for permission to post flyers there.
- Nancy said she has a good supply of blue ribbons to give to people who bring pies, and that she will keep a sign-in list of who they are as pies are delivered.

**Community Meeting:** Nancy asked if the committee would be willing to provide refreshments and drinks for participants at a community meeting on March 19, 1-3 pm in the banquet room. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss making the KCCA community more informed and less divisive through respectful interactions.

- All KCCA residents will be invited; the meeting will be publicized on NextDoor.
- Nancy is a member of the organizing group which includes Jerry Larsen Kathie Leonetti, Patty O'Toole, and Sandy Fuhrman.
- Various members gave examples of past events for which the committee has provided refreshments, and the group unanimously voted in favor of participating, recognizing that food and drink help create accomplish the mission of the committee: "to enable the KCCA community to engage in warm and welcoming social activities while maximizing residents' involvement, initiating interactions and building new relationships."
- Nancy will bring cookies; Mary Lou and Peggy volunteered to set up coffee and water.

### **Pick a Posey**

- Peggy suggested that flowers for this event be primroses and pansies and that we confirm more details at the meeting in April.

### **Cinco de Mayo**

- Rosemary has found two vendors who are interested in catering this event: Rosie's Kitchen, and a neighbor's daughter who does catering.

- The current idea is to have prepared plates of tacos (chicken and pork), rice and beans that would sell with lemon or limeade or a margarita for \$10-\$20 a plate.
- Rosemary was asked to plan on an attendance of 40-50.
- The time for the event was agreed to be 4-6 pm.
- The issue of selling alcohol and the ensuing liability was raised, discussed, and tabled temporarily.
- The group considered locations and agreed that having the caterers set up under the awning in front of the clubhouse would generate the largest attendance, and opening doors for participants to walk into the clubhouse to eat in the lounge or go outside to the patio would provide pleasant seating.
- Music for the event was suggested and will be considered as plans are made definite.

### **New Book Club**

- Mary Lou said the flyer in the clubhouse was removed; no one signed up on the flyer in the library.
- The committee noted that when the mask mandate is removed, more interest may develop, so the flyers should be made available then.

The meeting was adjourned at 11 a.m.