

HELLO NEIGHBORS SOCIAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 6, 2022

The meeting began at 10 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: Sherry Smith, Nancy Hayes, Terri Johnson, Pat Rigby, Mary Lou Russ, and Dennis Williams.

Before the meeting started, members visited with a new resident, Pat Kriticaly, who grew up in this area when Highway 99 was a two-lane road and the area around KCCA was farm land. She told a little about her life, including that Fisher Road was named for her grandmother's family and that she once danced with Kurt Tigard. Nancy Hayes took her name and telephone number to give to Barbara Sherman, recognizing that an interview with Kriticaly would be of interest not just to KCCA members, but also to readers of *Tigard Life*.

Cinco de Mayo Recap: Sherry, Pat, Rosemary, Terri and Dennis were the committee members present at the event. Rosemary was unable to attend the meeting today. Sherry asked for followup in terms of the pluses and minuses of the event, eliciting the following:

- Cinco de Mayo is considered to be a huge success.
- 81 tickets were sold and everyone seemed to have a good time.
- The lounge was beautifully decorated which added to the festiveness of the event.
- Ralph Coleman helped set up and put back furniture for the event, and he won the 50/50 raffle.
- Selling tickets in advance, and, next year, collecting the money at the time of sale was discussed and agreed to as an effective way to manage sit-down events such as this if extra tickets are purchased to accommodate drop-ins and prevent turning folks away, which would be in conflict with the mission of the committee.
- The room was very crowded and too hot, prompting the agreement that Sherry will reserve the lounge and the banquet room from noon to 7 pm for next year's event.
- Having a separate space for music and dancing next year will make conversation easier for everyone. Nancy has seen and has contact information for a musical group with a dance platform which might be just

right for our event. The music this year was not widely appreciated by participants.

- Delineating individual responsibilities ahead of time next year will make it easier for the event chairperson and committee members, and the committee has a template for that purpose which can be filled in with names and brought to the event for reference.
- The supply of tickets and cups was insufficient, forcing more than one trip out for replacements. The committee agreed to inventory existing supplies, though no-one was designated to do so.
- Catering and food with gluten-free and vegetarian options as well as more upscale options than canned refried beans would be desirable for future events.

Memorial Day Potluck: The committee agreed not to have a Memorial Day Potluck this year.

Pick a Posey:

- The turnout was small and participants' reactions were mixed. Some expected to pay for the drinks, donuts and plants. Some thought the event was a sale of a variety of plants. Some went home with their free plant and told neighbors who then happily went to pick their posies.
- No mention was made of the winner the hanging basket or plant.
- The committee agreed to hold the event a second year, this time on May 13, the Saturday before Mother's Day, to have more options for plants such as bulbs and packets of seeds, and to increase advertising.

Advertising: Sherry is going to talk with Laurie Petrie about setting up a space in the clubhouse entry to use for Hello Neighbors' posters and flyers. The goal, which the committee strongly supports and sees as a significant unmet need, is to have a prominent space that more KCCA members are likely to see to post information about the dates, times, and types of upcoming social events

Movie Time:

- Dennis noted that no *Movie Time* listing was included in the May Newsletter, possibly because the print would have been illegibly small if it was reduced in size. He asked for clarification about the space available for future listings and said he will only include information about the current month's selection.
- Terri and Dennis said about 30 people attended the showing of *Belfast* and it seems as if the audience for *Movie Time* has been established and will continue to participate in the future, changing in size seasonally.

Annual Membership Meeting:

- The annual membership meeting will be Tuesday, May 24, starting at 5:30.
- Coffee, tea, water, cookies and nuts will be provided for residents to enjoy as they visit before the 6:30 formal segment of the meeting when prospective board members introduce themselves in presentations to audience.
- Terri, Dennis and Mary Lou will set up; Mary Lou will bring the cookies and nuts, and Nancy will decorate a container for donations.

New Residents Meeting:

- Pat said the next New Residents' Meeting will be June 5.
- Nancy will change the date and give Pat the master for the invitation and the flyer.

Community Birthday Party with Cake and Ice Cream:

- Formerly the Ice Cream Social, the date for this event was moved from June 11 to October 9 from 2-4 p.m.
- The date change was made in recognition of KCCA's "birthdate" which is October 9, 1964.
- Nancy will make a poster and flyer in a birthday card design for the event.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.