

HELLO NEIGHBORS SOCIAL COMMITTEE MINUTES
February 3, 2023
The meeting began at 3:00 p.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: Melanie Sagebear, Peggy Trees, Rosemary Dutra, Ron Yates, Terri Johnson, Mary Minor, Peggy Nelson, and Pat Rigby.

Opening:

- Peggy suggested that from hereon each event shall have a go-to coordinator to avoid misunderstandings, etc.
- She introduced Peggy Nelson who will join our committee and said that Tanji has stepped away to take care of her husband.
- Peggy suggested that due to many requests, we change our meeting time back to 10 am on the first Friday of every month. **Committee members agreed.**
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Treasure's Report: Rosemary reported that we currently have \$3,647 in our KC budget and \$460.82 in petty cash. Expenses over \$50 will be reimbursed from our budget; expenses under \$50 will be paid from our petty cash.

Soup Sunday:

- Rosemary reported that we had approximately 27 guests with \$156 in incoming monies and \$319.41 in outgoing expenses which included paper goods for future events.
- The committee confirmed plans to extend invitations to outside communities and guests to help increase attendance at future events fully recognizing that other communities allow outside guests into their events as well.
- Committee members agree that attendance was dramatically reduced due to the controversy with Next Door and the lack of publicity for our event in the KC Newsletter as is usual for HNSC events.
- Rosemary will be writing an email to KCCA and the Newsletter publisher requesting we get our event fliers published in the future.
- Melanie shared that she gave the leftover soup to the KCCA maintenance staff on Monday and they all enjoyed it immensely.

New Resident Meeting (2/05/2023 2 pm):

- Peggy informed Pat that KCCA will reimburse and pay for expenses incurred for folders, invitations, copies, stamps, etc. These expenses will no longer come out of the HNSC budget.
- Pat reported that she obtained new resident names, etc from Elaine.
- Peggy reported that due to a birthday party scheduled in the KC Lounge, we will host the New Resident meeting in the back meeting room.
- Mary Minor volunteered to stand at the front and direct guests to the meeting area.
- Ron reported that he will print a name tag for Mary Minor.
- Pat and Mary Lou assembled 50 new packets in preparation for new residents.
- Patricia Day and Mary Lou will help distribute new resident packages.
- Melanie will be giving us lanyards for our name tags.
- Rosemary suggested that we insert our HNSC event fliers into the folders and everyone agreed. Rosemary will print and bring them to the New Resident meeting.
- Melanie suggested keeping some packets at the office, however, Pat suggested she will deliver them once we have a new resident move in.
- Pat also reported that she hand delivers packets to the KCCA Apartments and Jen/Manager distributes them.
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Movie Time (3rd Friday each month): Terri reported that Dennis has withdrawn from HNSC, therefore, Mary Lou will help. She also reported that they had 15 guests at the last movie. Next month will be a musical film.

Story Telling: Sherry was not present.

Val-A-Grams:

- Rosemary reported that to-date we have approximately 54 Val-A-Grams.
- Peggy has purchased balloons at Dollar Tree and chocolates at Costco.
- Peggy and Ron are making the cookies; then will wrap them.
- On Monday, Feb 13, Rosemary, Ron, Terri and Peggy will assemble the Val-A-Grams at Rosemary's house.
- Peggy, Elaine, Pat, and Ron will make deliveries on February 14 between 11 am and 1 pm.

Pies of March:

- The date of the event was confirmed for Sunday, March 19 from 2 to 4 pm.

- Peggy reported that HNSC used to suggest that residents make or bring pies, however, since the event was not published in the newsletter, committee members will make or purchase them and be reimbursed accordingly.
- Melanie offered that from here on KCCA will provide coffee, tea, creamer, etc.
- Mary Minor made a motion to vote on per person cost, Rosemary seconded it, and the vote is for \$3.00 per person. The cost will include a slice of pie, ice cream, and coffee, tea, etc.
- Peggy asked Rosemary to make a flier and Rosemary agreed.
- Ron volunteered to go buy ice cream & whipped cream.
- Pies will be made/purchased by Mary Minor, Peggy (2), Mary Lou, Ron (2) & Melanie.
- Peggy asked if one of us would buy pies but that discussion was not concluded.
- Peggy suggested we arrive at 12:30 to set up. Plastic tablecloths will be put on tables which we have in our storage, and Peggy will ask 2 helpers to set up and tear down tables and chairs.
- Peggy will be the coordinator.
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Spring Fling, Saturday April 15, 6-9 pm:

- The timing of the event was confirmed for Saturday, April 15 from 6 to 9 pm.
- Ron communicated with Olive Garden and stated they will provide pasta, meatballs, salad, breadsticks, etc for \$14.25 per person, delivery fee and gratuities not included.
- Ron suggested that HNSC buy cheesecakes and include them for \$20 per person.
- The event will be BYOB and include a live band and dancing. No liquor table will be set up. Coffee, tea, iced tea and water will be provided.
- Food will be served on real plates with flatware and glasses; the KC kitchen's dishwasher will be used and having a clean-up crew was discussed.
- For décor, Ron will decorate pillars and provide a backdrop for the band. He shared a schematic for table set-up, dancing areas, etc.
- Food will be buffet style in the lounge with tables in the middle for access on both sides.
- Ron will provide ivory linens and check his and Rosemary's linen inventory for colors. Ron will be coordinator.
- Rosemary made a motion to vote on the \$20 per person charge, Mary Minor seconded it, and the motion passed.

- The charge will include a catered Olive Garden pasta dinner, dessert and dancing. The event will be BYOB.
- Pat expressed her concern for better 'marketing' of our events and discussion led to Rosemary volunteering to email the KC newsletter publisher, office, Melanie and Jim Minor with our stance on getting our fliers into the KC Newsletter again.
- Peggy suggested we continue to distribute our event flier to as many clubs and organizations as possible to increase our attendance.

Other Business: Rosemary asked Melanie for a space in a couple of the kitchen cabinets, and Melanie approved the request stating that 2 locked cabinets will be designated to HNSC.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 pm.