

GENERAL MEETING TRAILS END CLUB

Meeting called to order by Dave Prohar at 8:30 AM on January 8, 2018

Board members present: Dave Prohar, Muriel McCallum, Maureen Colburn, Geoff Walker, Judy Williams, Kathy Fraser, Ray Martin and Jim Frost

Board members absent: Chris Atlakson

Attendance: 225

Opening Prayer: Beth Feckter

Pledge of Allegiance: Joe Moore

Introduction of Newcomers to the Park: 7 new couples introduced themselves.

Judy read the minutes of the last meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Terry Neal and seconded by Peggy Anderson. Carried.

Weekly Event Attendance:

Sunday Brunch:	425
Jam Session:	158
Entertainment:	95
Thursday Dinner:	208
Friday Lunch:	106
Saturday Breakfast	90

For a weekly total of 1,082, year to date event attendance is 3,328

A motion was made by Ray Maanika to approve the Treasurer's Report and seconded Peggy Anderson. Carried.

President's Report:

A suggestion was presented that any motions of \$1000 be held over for a week before voting and the voting be done by a secret ballot. The Board thought it was a good idea, however we will not mandate it. According to Robert's rules of order, anyone can request to table a motion for a week. They can also request a secret ballot at any time for any motion that comes from the floor. The Board will be ready to handle a secret ballot when the need arises.

The scheduling of all Activities whether in main hall, card room or Library need to be scheduled thru Kathy Frasier. She maintains the calendar for all 3 buildings.

We need a volunteer from Durango to be the coordinator for their Thursday night supper.

Our elections are coming up soon, if interested in being a board member please contact one of the following members of the nominating committee. Sharon Merryfield, Bruce Scott or Judy Perras.

Dave asked if anyone had any knowledge of electronic signs to please contact Ray Martin.

Manager's Report:

Bonnie asked for someone to inform the office what is being served for the Friday Lunch. They get calls from people outside the park, wondering what's for Lunch.

She also reminded everyone that the January Bills are due by Friday, January 12.

Dan reported that the Pool Heater broke over the weekend and he is in the process of getting a new one ordered and installed.

Dan also asked everyone not to bring bikes into the pool area. This is a hazard for everyone using the pool. If you are concerned about your bikes being stolen, you can lock them to the bike racks provided outside the pool.

Bonnie Moore asked Dan if there was anything that could be done about the number of cats in the park. Dan responded that they sell traps at Home Depot or you can reserve one from the office. The office will be starting to charge a \$30 deposit on the traps as they have been disappearing. He went on to say, that the Park has depleted the cat population by 18 cats as of today. If you catch something in your trap, call the office or the city and animal control will come and pick it up.

Old Business:

Tom Dame reported that the last Thursday night dinner before Christmas they had approximately 20 no shows. They prepare food based on the number of people who sign up. Had the kitchen known, they could have reduced the kitchen expenses by \$75 just in the chicken alone. Please make sure to attend the Dinners, if you sign up.

Tom also asked everyone who notices a broken chair to put them in the shed next to the pop machine and he will see that they get fixed.

Tom also mentioned that when he went to borrow some chairs before New Years, he noticed that most of them were gone. When he reviewed the minutes, he noticed an entry indicating the sale of the chairs. He questioned the board who authorized the sale of these chairs and why were they not offered to the residents first. He also stated that if someone wanted to borrow tables or chairs, all they had to do was ask a board member. Has the policy been changed?

Dave Prohar responded, no the policy did not change. All tables and chairs must be checked out and only the tables and chairs in the storeroom next to the pop machine can be checked out. The only exception to this is for the patio sales. On those days, you must sign up for a table, and the park will deliver a table to you. Regarding the sale of the chairs, the Board made an executive decision to sell the old metal chairs, while the main hall was being cleaned after the rodent infestation. There was no room to store them. He went around and asked people if they wanted them, and we didn't get any response and we had an offer to purchase them and we sold them. If anyone would like to buy some chairs, let Dave know and he will get you some. He knows where they are.

New Business:

Joyce Kujda reported that there is new sign up sheet in the card hall for pictures on January 16th. Please make sure the phone number you are using is the number you can be reached at in Texas and no Canadian numbers. She is having trouble calling 204 numbers.

Announcements from the floor:

Bill Cusitiar: wanted to warn the residents about the pop ups that appear on your computer with some to the effect that your computer is infected, do not turn off your computer, call the number shown for support or click on the link. Do not call the number, click on the link or even click on the x to exit the program. The safest way to remove this is to hold your power button in to reboot your computer. If it has gone away, you are normally safe. If it is still there, hold the power button down again to shut down and call someone you trust for help. Do not call the number on the screen. He also recommended that everyone should keep their operating systems and anti virus software up to date.

Sunshine Lady: Beth reported that there are 4 cards available to sign. She also reported that while she is gone in Africa, Karen Macking would be filling in as Sunshine Lady. She is at 442 Tampico and her phone number is 956.968.0675

Bev Buechele: Bev reported that they are in the middle of their busy season and they are trying to keep up with what's coming in and out. They do inventory all the time to make sure everyone has everything they need. There are all sorts of things to sign up for to help, so please watch the board for opportunities. She also reported all kitchen workers now need to wear a hat or hairnet and gloves when working with food.

Health: Don Chatterton reported hearing tests will be done in the Library after the meeting.

Tuesday Entertainment: See the board in the main Hall, for details on upcoming entertainment.

Sandy Robinson reported on many events that are happening in the area. Please see her board in the card hall for more details.

Activity Chairs:

Maureen Colburn reported that Thursday night supper is hosted by Yucatan and they will be serving meatballs, mashed potatoes, salad, roll, and peach dessert. After the meeting Carolyn and Kay will be up front with sign up sheets to help.

Ken Thompson reported that he would be making the lighted house numbers for residents for free in the interest of safety. If interested, please drop off your house number at the woodshop.

Linda Weuthrich reported that they only have 6 entries for the USA day's parade. They need more entries to have the parade. Also the tickets will be available soon for the meal. \$6 per person or \$3 if you just want a hot dog.

Hank Vanderzyden reported painting would meet Friday morning at 9 am in the card hall. They have all sorts of paints so come out and give it a try. He also reported that the variety show would be on January 20. This year they will also have karaoke available for the show. You must sign up before the show to sing. Wil McCallum has a list of all the songs that are available.

Shelly Grandstaff reported that there would be no crafts this week. Our next craft show scheduled for January 27th is full.

Ginger Dougherty corrected an earlier published date. Spanish classes will start on January 23rd not January 21st. She also reported that a jacket was left at the Silva school during their Christmas program. If you are missing a jacket, please contact her at 108 S Bermuda.

Verna Boss reminded all Red Hatters that they would be taking down the Christmas Decorations after the meeting and the group picture would be taken at 10 am in the main hall.

Kitty Zimmerman reminded the Red Hatters that they would be leaving on their tour of the potato chip factory tomorrow morning at 9 am.

Peggy Anderson reported that Beginning Bridge lessons would be held Tuesday at 1 pm in the Library. Intermediate Bridge lessons will be held on Wednesday at 1 pm. Sing-a-long will be held on Tuesday at 3:30 in the main hall.

Kathy Anderson reported the Genealogy would be held Tuesday in the library at 9 am.

Karen Morely reported the Birthday Anniversary celebration would be held on January 17. They will be celebrating the months of January, April, July and October.

Karl Monaghan reported the first fishing trip would be held on January 28th. The cost is \$100 per person. The sign up sheet is in the card all. Please indicate if you can drive when you sign up. They need 24 people to go. If you need to cancel after January 21st, you must find someone else to replace you.

Ray Maanika reported that Peter Piper Pizza is this Tuesday. When signing up, please only 1 name per line, as Ray needs to provide them a headcount. The sign up sheet is by the water fountain in the main hall.

Richard Mehtala reported that Trails End would be hosting the Rio Grand Valley Shuffle Board Tournament next week January 16, 17 and 18th. Volunteers would be needed for all 3 days; the sign up sheet will be posted in the shuffle shack. Sue Coleman reported that she needs kitchen volunteers as well. She is asking for volunteers to make pies and bars. There will be a sign up sheet in the main hall.

Dan Merryfield reported that he is taking orders for Shrimp. Each 5-pound bag of wild gulf shrimp costs \$25. If interested contact him at 723 N Bermuda.

Madonna Johnson reported that Trail End Softball starts Tuesday, January 9th at noon. She will post the schedule on the sports board in the card hall.

Ken Tanula reported that the Duffers Golf Tournament would be held on February 3 at the Tony Butler Golf Course in Harlingen. 4 people per team, one person must be of the opposite sex. One cart per team. \$25 per person. Please sign up by January 23rd. See the sports board for more details.

Madeline Skjerpen reported that the Raffle tickets would be available after the meeting. \$10 for 12 tickets. If you have things to donate for the raffle, please hang on to them until after the variety show.

Half a chance draw took in \$91 and \$46 was awarded to lucky ticket holders

Adjournment: Sue St. Sauver made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:36 am.

Peggy Hulteen led in singing God Bless America and was accompanied by Peggy Anderson on the keyboard.

Recorded by Judy Williams