

Chino Hills 55+ Club
General Meeting Minutes Friday January 22, 2021
Held Virtually on ZOOM

Socialization: We all tried to get on early for socialization. This was started 9:30 and ended 10:00 a.m.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Susanne Anderson at 10:03 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: The group followed with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Melba Aranda.

Approval of Previous Month's Minutes: Our last General meeting's minutes from December 2020 were approved as written and as posted on the website.

Officers Present: President Susanne Baxter-Anderson, Vice President, Melba Aranda, Treasurer, Maria Galvan-Gonzalez, Secretary, Judi Klecansky and Information Officer, Sharon Stuewe.

President's Report: Susanne started with a presentation of "Message from President Susanne titled: "Welcome to 2021". She discussed the things we were impacted and challenges lived through in 2020. The limitations and lessons learned. We will be using safeguards and lessons learned but going forward and meeting in person again. She gave us encouragement to move into "The New Normal". She encouraged going forward feeling free, safe, busy, and connected.

She mentioned that we had gotten a wonderful response from our donation to Boy's Republic. Boy's Republic submitted a formal letter, but many responses from the families of the recipients were received as well. Their comments can be seen on the Club website.

Next month will be a closed meeting for members only since it the election meeting. Nominations will be considered up until the election process.

Club Business:

Treasurer's Report: Maria presented the following financials for December 2020.

Note: Finance Committee Members have approved these numbers. This is done prior to Board approval.

<i>Previous Bank Statement Balance- November30, 2020</i>	<i>\$10,284.17</i>
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<i>Additions – Deposits</i>		\$2,213.02
<i>Subtractions – Checks Cleared</i>	-	\$2, 272.56
<i>Ending Bank Statement Balance – November 30, 2020</i>		\$10,224.63
<i>Subtractions – Checks Outstanding</i>		\$ -0-
<i>Veterans Monument Fund</i>		\$6,680.22
<i>Adjusted balance as of December 31, 2020</i>		\$3,544.41

Maria encouraged further participation in the Amazon Smile program. She noted that we should be getting their check in February 2020.

Recycling Program: Our recycling program takes place on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Veterans Monument at the Chino Hills Community Center. We will take all CRV, bottles, cans, and other metal objects. If you have questions or, need a pick up, please call Jesse Gonzalez at 909/268-5707.

Program: Melba introduced us to our Special Guest Speaker, Brian Johsz. He is the Mayor of Chino Hills. Brian expressed his gratitude for our clubs' activities. He noted how important these groups are to the community.

After providing his background information, he advised that the City of Chino Hills had just received funding for the Federal Cares Act. This funding will be used to help small businesses in the community keep their doors open during this pandemic.

COVID-19 testing is continuing at McCoy's Equestrian Center. The vaccine delivery will be available shortly, but seems to be slower than expected. Brian is also participating in a program titled "Masks for Mayors". This program provides free masks for those in need. If interested, please contact Brian at the Chino Hills Community website provided during the meeting.

Chino Hills 30th Birthday is coming shortly. The city is looking for ways to promote the city to our residents. Please contact Brian with your ideas!

Q & A: Questions were addressed such as COVID-19 vaccination sites. The city is trying to set up a vaccination center at McCoy's Equestrian Center. The Chino Hills Fire District is heading this effort. Other issues, such as road racing, and upcoming events were addressed as well.

The Chino Hills website was discussed and Brian provided the many services and information available there. He encouraged us to sign up and use this tool.

Nominations Committee: Susanne thanked Judy MacDonald and her team for their efforts for the Treasurer's and Presidential nominations pending.

Melba presented the current nominations:

Treasurer: Sally Baca nominated.

President: No nominations to date

Nominations are open until the next General Meeting on February 26. If interested in nominating someone, please contact Judy MacDonald. Concerns were noted on the President position and alternatives were discussed. Sharon noted that as Past President, Susanne will remain on the Board in a consultant role to provide assistance to the new President for up to one year.

Nominee speeches: Sally Baca provided her biography as to qualifications for Treasurer. She has had over 42 years of financial experience.

The election process will be held virtual this time. Melba have tested the process and noted it should be seamless.

VP Report: Melba began by greeting us and noting may this year bring new goals, new inspirations and abundance of Happy Days. January 22 is National Blondie Brownie Day and Melba welcomed recipes and Dagwood and Blondie jokes. Her favorite recipe was Blonde Brownie mix from Trader Joes!

She highlighted our Valentine's Day Fundraiser which will take place on Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at Bravo Burger located at 14698 Pipeline Ave. Chino between 12:00 noon until 10:00 p.m. Bravo Burger will provide a 10% rebate for your food orders. This 10% will be provided to our club. Those participating are encouraged to take pictures or turn in receipts for verification.

Jokes: Chuck Haeflinger entertained the audience with some special jokes from the "Diary of a Blonde". Laughter was had by all.

Committees and Activity Reports: Committees/Activity Groups:

Various speakers addressed their status in the following activities:

- George De Frank – Veteran's Group status
- Kathy Jackson – Genealogy Group
- Renee Sylvia – Book Group
- Sharon Stuewe – Quilting Group
- Joan Ashlock – Scrapbooking and Card Making group

Birthdays and Anniversaries: Loretta Szudy of the Sunshine Club congratulated the December birthdays and Anniversaries It was interesting that both Rick and Judy MacDonald had the same birthday month.

- There were 14 birthdays announced
- Our anniversaries were:
 - Maria and Jesse Gonzalez – 2 years
 - Jane and George DeFrank – 36 years
 - Pam and Gary Seggerman – 30 years

Member Spotlight: This month we spotlighted four members with the question: “Five things you may not know about me”. Members spotlighted were:

- JD Martinez
- Fran Martinez
- Carolyn Robb
- David Elston

This is a fun way to get to know one another better and will be continued in our monthly General Meeting minutes.

Adjournment:

Susanne advised closing remarks to all. The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Next General Meeting:

Our next General Meeting will be on Friday February 26th, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. via ZOOM. Information to log in will be provided prior to the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Judi Klecansky, CPM

Secretary