

Chino Hills 55+ Club
General Meeting Minutes
Chino Hills Community Center
March 22, 2024

Officers Present

The Officers present were President, Jane DeFrank, Vice President, Debi Hernandez, Information Officer/Web Administrator, Sharon Stuewe, Treasurer, Andrea Welch, and Secretary, Judy MacDonald.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President, Jane DeFrank at 10:05 am. Military veteran, Rick MacDonald led the Pledge of Allegiance.

As suggested by Frances Downs, a revision to the February General Meeting Minutes was discussed and then approved. A copy of the revised minutes will be posted on our website.

Treasurer's Report

Andrea compiled the following Treasurer's Report for March 2024 for the period February 1, 2024 to February 29, 2024.

Previous Bank Statement Balance – February 1, 2024	\$10,801.25
Additions – Deposits	\$427.04
Subtractions – Checks Cleared	-\$506.72
Ending Bank Statement Balance – February 29, 2024	\$10,721.57
Subtractions – Checks/Fees Outstanding	-\$553.05
Subtractions – Transportation Fund	- \$4,838.53
Subtractions – Veterans Monument Fund	-\$4,445.55
Adjusted Account Balance	\$884.44

The Transportation Fund is doing really well, as is the Veterans Fund. The Veterans will be making their yearly donations next month.

Andrea informed the Club that the budget balance is extremely low and that adjustments need to be made. Following discussions with the Finance Committee, several changes were suggested.

Treasurer's Report continued

The following changes were approved by the Board and will go into effect immediately.

- Expenses will require pre-approval.
- Budgets will be created for future events.
- Expenses exceeding \$100.00 will require pre-approval by the Board.
- The Bylaws will be revised to reflect these changes.

City Report

Jake Velasco introduced specialist Armando Aguirre, who is a new member of his team. Armando introduced himself and asked the membership to contact him, as well as Jake, for assistance.

The spring Active Adults Newsletter is now available. All activities for seniors can be found in the newsletter.

Jake reminded everyone that games, cards, ping pong, etc. are available at the Chino Hills Community Center (CHCC), Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

A Mardi Gras Dance Showcase will take place on Wednesday, March 27 at the CHCC. Unfortunately, all tickets have been sold.

A Motown Dance Party will be held on Wednesday, April 10, from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm. at the CHCC. Admission is free.

Additional information for these and other recreation events is available at <https://www.chinohills.org> or by contacting the Recreation Office at (909) 364-2700.

Information Officer's Report

Sharon displayed several photos from Club's recent trip to The Huntington Gardens and Library. Members arrived by bus which was paid for through the Transportation Fund.

Sharon displayed the 55+ Club website and familiarized members with the options available.

Sharon is looking for additional members for the Bylaws Committee. Those interested should speak to Sharon after the meeting.

Vice President's Report

Debi introduced three guests at today's meeting and mentioned that we had 103 in attendance. We currently have 203 members.

Yearly membership renewals of \$15.00 are beginning today. Payments via cash or check are requested.

Easter Egg Hunt

An Easter egg hunt took place on the lawn of the CHHC. Members collected eggs containing candy, lottery tickets and cash.

Veterans Group

Ron Kunzi, head of the Veterans Group, spoke about March 29 being National Vietnam War Veteran's Day. All vets in attendance were recognized.

At the March 26 City Council meeting, a proclamation will be presented to the Veterans Group. Vets and club members are asked to wear their red 55+ shirts.

In addition, the American Legion in Chino is hosting a 100-year celebration on Saturday, April 6. A table, paid for by Art Bennett, will be available for our veterans.

On April 25, "Rancho Remembers" will take place at Rancho Cucamonga High School. All vets are invited to attend, have lunch with the students, and answer questions about military life and service.

New Business

Diane Stone, chairperson of the Hospitality Group, announced that she will be moving to Colorado in the coming months and stepping down from her position. The coffee and donuts and special meals we enjoy will not be possible without someone to succeed her. Diane has offered to train on the procedures for the next two months.

President's Report

Jane mentioned that the Craft Group needs more members. The centerpieces are created by the Craft Group, and without more members they will be discontinued. Those interested should speak with Debi.

The Finance Team has lost a member and is looking for someone to join the group. Meetings are held quarterly and are on Zoom. Contact Andrea Welch for more information.

President's Report continued

Jane is hoping to revive the Movie Group. Members would attend a matinee together and meet at a local restaurant afterward. Contact Jane for more information.

Bingo is doing great as we have acquired additional volunteers.

Signup sheets for future outings are at the back table. Those interested are asked to indicate which outings they would like to attend.

Members are wearing blue today for "Colon Cancer Awareness Day". All are encouraged to have regular screenings.

Members of the Book Club will host a book sale at our General Meeting in April. Books used by the members will be sold and the proceeds will go to the Club. Books will be \$1.00 each and cash or check only will be accepted.

Guest Speaker

Marsha Obeyd from the YMCA in Chino spoke about senior fitness. She also demonstrated several chair exercises for seniors that can be done safely in the comfort of home.

Sunshine Committee

Susanne Anderson acknowledged Loretta Szudy, who has been the original and only chairperson of the Sunshine Committee. She has led the group for eleven years.

The following members celebrated March birthdays: Debbie Keller, Gwendolyn Reevey, Lorraine O'Steen, Donna Hilding, Loretta Szudy, Lydia Hallsworth, John McKeon, Diane Bok, Bea Ecklund, Sanaa Tamen, LaForest Weaver, Sanaa Abalgawad, Tony Orozco, Susan Horn, Mary Burton, Susanne Anderson and Bill Verstynen.

Those celebrating March wedding anniversaries are:

- Susanne and Glen Anderson – Six years on March 17.

New Business

The Chino Hills Community Foundation will sponsor an outdoor concert on Friday, April 12 at the CHCC. Tickets are \$15.00 each.

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The Club sold tickets totaling \$270.00 and the Club netted \$139.00. The winners were: Mary McCarthy, Chris Bond, and Kathy Jackson, each of whom won \$44.00.

Next General Meeting

The next General Meeting will be held on Friday, April 26 at the CHCC.

Following the end of the meeting, those interested can meet at Semillas Cantina for lunch.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am in honor of those who served our country.

Respectfully Submitted,
Judy MacDonald, Secretary