

OPEN MEETING

REPORT OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 10, 2022 – 1:30 p.m.
Board Room/Virtual Meeting

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Yvonne Horton, Chair, Elsie Addington, Maggie Blackwell, Annie McCary, Diane Casey, Dennis Boudreau, Ajit Gidwani
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ryna Rothberg, Cush Bhada, Pearl Lee
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Bunny Carpenter, Joan Milliman, Debbie Dotson, Egon Garthoffner, Anthony Liberatore
- STAFF PRESENT:** Brian Gruner, Jennifer Murphy, Tom McCray, Jackie Kupfert

Call to Order

Chair Horton called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

Acknowledgement of Media

There was no press present.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made, and by consensus, the agenda was approved.

Approval of Committee Report for January 13, 2022

A motion was made, and by consensus, the report was approved.

Chair's Remarks

Chair Horton thanked all 65 Library volunteers as without their help during COVID many residents would not have been able to use this resource. These volunteers increased usage by 220%.

Report of the Recreation and Special Events Director

Mr. Gruner stated the following operational updates: emergency signage has been posted at all facilities to ensure proper information is provided when 911 is contacted; delivery services charges are increasing and will have a financial impact operationally; quarter distribution is

resuming on Monday, March 14 in the Community Center Recreation office during normal business hours of Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; the Recreation Department is working closely with the Finance Department and IT to generate delinquent reports for notification to those residents that have not paid for Recreation fees charged; a quote to install cameras in all clubhouses is in process.

Mr. Gruner stated the following facility updates: Garden Center 2 gate was activated on Tuesday, March 8 and a new gate code was instituted at Garden Center 1; staff has received 18 volunteer applications for the Garden Centers with interviews starting next week; the Equestrian Center has a new mini-horse named Sebastian; four new shade structures have been installed and the rose garden has been updated at the front entrance at the Equestrian Center; Clubhouse 6 volunteer applicants will be interviewed beginning March 21 with anticipation of opening this clubhouse soon; Pool 2 is closed for annual maintenance with Pool 1 to be closed next for annual maintenance; the Performing Arts Center has ongoing renovations in the dining room kitchens, rehearsal room and billiards room and will be closing due to asbestos abatement.

Ms. Murphy stated the following events: the Performing Arts Center will host Stevie Nicks Illusions concert at 7pm on Saturday; St. Patrick's Day dinner will be hosted at Clubhouse 5 on March 17 with tickets on sale at the Clubhouse 5 office; monthly free movies normally at the Performing Arts Center will be moved to Clubhouse 7 on March 21 and will show Jungle Cruise; AARP tax program which is sponsored by PC Club will be at Clubhouse 7 during the asbestos abatement process; the Village Bazaar booth sales are full and the event will be in the Clubhouse 5 parking lot, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 2; the annual Village Games have returned with registration open now at the Community Fitness Center during regular business hours; the Village Games will be held April 11 through May 2; Easter at the Equestrian Center will be held on April 16, 9 to 11 a.m. with many activities for families and entrance is free; the Health and Wellness Expo will be hosted at Clubhouse 5 on April 23, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and entrance is free.

Member Comments (Items Not on the Agenda)

Members were called to speak regarding the new pool schedule; installing more pergolas; Lawn Bowling guests, tournament purse winnings and non-club use of the facility; Clubhouse 4 art studio card access and studio hours; kids swim resuming.

Chair Horton stated Pool 2 normally opens at 7 a.m. but due to maintenance closure, Pool 4 opens at 8 a.m. for resident use. Pool 5 opens at 6 a.m. and Pool 1 opens at 8 a.m. Chair Horton stated installation of shade/pergolas should be addressed by the Maintenance & Construction committee. Chair Horton stated Clubhouse 4 is not staffed past normal business hours, so rooms may not be open later due to no staff onsite. Mr. Gruner stated the Lawn Bowling club has approximately 126 members with only approximately 25 non-residents. GRF approved 20% non-resident members within a club. Mr. Gruner stated the club

confirmed there is no tournament purse prize. Mr. Gruner stated Kids Swim will return Memorial Day weekend at Pool 6.

CONSENT

A motion was made to approve the consent calendar.

Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Revenue Resources Ad Hoc Update - Chair Horton stated it is with regret that we inform you of the disbandment of the Revenue Resources Ad Hoc committee. With staff levels at an all-time low, supply chain issues and costs rising exponentially, it is not prudent at this time to continue meeting.

This committee may reconvene in the future which would be announced at CAC to ensure the community is apprised of its reinstatement.

Golf Greens Committee Update - Mr. McCray stated the committee toured the golf course for generating ideas for improvements. The following improvements have been discussed and/or implemented: in-house installation of railings to green tees that are more difficult to walk; addressing normal progression of SoCal Golf Assoc rerating of the golf course which is a standard practice; moving starting points of some rated tee markers; recommended addition of a mat to one of the tees on course 3 to reduce damage to the grass. This committee has been very constructive.

Member was called to speak regarding the reinstatement of tee times for the Tuesday Skins Game, now called a scramble, due to the service it provides to the community.

Men's Golf Club Annual Memorial Tournament - Ms. Murphy read member emails and members were called to speak regarding the following: those in favor of hosting the Men's Golf Club Annual Memorial Golf Tournament allowing fundraising for the Foundation which assists those residents in need; the Men's Golf Club paying \$800 for setting up the event; fees not charged currently

Discussion ensued.

Motion was made to grant the Men's Golf Club use of the golf course for the Annual Memorial Tournament on May 21 with the stipulation of paying guest fees in full.

Motion passed 3-1-1.

Operating Rules

Pickleball - Mr. Gruner presented the proposed Pickleball operating rule change of the addition of (maximum of 15 minutes) to #10.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made to approve staff recommended changes to the Pickleball Operating Rules to state players may play one game only (maximum of 15 minutes) if others are waiting to play.

Motion passed unanimously.

Garden Centers - Mr. Gruner stated proposed changes to the Garden Center operating rules are being introduced to ensure fairness for all gardeners.

The following changes were recommended:

L5 and M3 should match in verbiage

O1 only addresses Garden Center 2 tree plots and may need to address Garden Center 1- would like staff to rework the verbiage

O3 has fruit trees listed with no mention of citrus

O6 may need to state fallen flowers only as flowers are not allowed

Change H1 to no pets allowed in the Garden Centers (with exception of service animals)

G2 may be changed to include resident partner

Discussion ensued regarding the following: organic waste receptacle at the Garden Centers; Chinese interpretation; omission of alcohol/drugs use referenced in B5; GRF smoking restrictions; service animal allowance on property.

Chair Horton stated green waste goes in the dumpsters at the Garden Centers. Mr. Gruner stated the translation is for the disciplinary process only. Chair Horton stated B5 is omitted as the use of alcohol and drugs cannot be enforced due to legality of alcohol permitted on GRF property. Chair Horton stated state and federal law protects service animals which are the only animals allowed at the Garden Centers.

Staff was instructed to institute changes and present to the April CAC meeting.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

Duplicate Bridge Tournament Room Reservation Rental Rate and July 4 Annual Rollover Exception - Ms. Murphy stated to review and recommend to cancel and supersede Resolution 90-11-28 to show the cancellation of the exception rate during the annual February Duplicate Bridge tournament and recommend the Duplicate Bridge Club's request

for an exception to the Permanent/Rollover Reservation Policy for a July 4 automatic annual rollover.

Discussion ensued.

Members were called to speak regarding the following: changing the tournament to the last weekend of January; GRF will not receive monies if no tournament is held; in favor of staff recommendation; thank you to Clubhouse 2 supervisor Laura Cooley and Recreation Manager Jennifer Murphy for their continued assistance; residents only have to ask for room reservations, not clubs.

A motion was made to cancel and supersede Resolution 90-11-28 to show the cancellation of the exception rate during the annual February Duplicate Bridge tournament and recommend the Duplicate Bridge Club's request for an exception to the Permanent/Rollover Reservation Policy for a July 4 automatic annual rollover.

Motion passed unanimously.

Charity Golf Tournaments - Mr. Gruner stated to review and recommend the Recreation Department schedule and coordinate up to three community charity golf events sponsored by Laguna Woods Village golf clubs at the Laguna Woods Village 27-Hole Golf Course.

Discussion ensued.

Staff was directed to present this recommendation to the Golf Greens Committee, then present to the Community Activities Committee and then present to the GRF board for final review.

Saddle Club Donation - Equestrian Center Shade Structures - Ms. Murphy stated to review and recommend the donation of two shade shelters for the Laguna Woods Village Equestrian Center in accordance with the Donation Policy.

A motion was made to accept the staff recommendation of the donation two shade shelters for the Laguna Woods Village Equestrian Center.

Motion passed unanimously.

Old Pros Donation - Equestrian Center - Ms. Murphy stated to review and recommend a resolution of the donation of \$1,000 for the Laguna Woods Village Equestrian Center in accordance with the Donation Policy.

A motion was made to accept the staff recommendation of the donation of \$1,000 for the Laguna Woods Village Equestrian Center.

Motion passed unanimously.

Village Community Fund Phase Two - Equestrian Center - Ms. Murphy stated to review and recommend Phase Two Village Community Fund (VCF) Equestrian Center Help the Herd fundraising campaign proposal in the amount of \$33,565.

A motion was made to accept staff recommendation of Phase Two Village Community Fund (VCF) Equestrian Center Help the Herd fundraising campaign proposal in the amount of \$33,565.

Motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Club Insurance – Staff was directed to keep this item under Future Agendas.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Committee Member Comments

None

Date of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the GRF Community Activities Committee will be held both in the board room and virtually via the Zoom platform at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 14, 2022.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:03 p.m.

____*Yvonne Horton*____

Yvonne Horton, Chair