

OPEN MEETING

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

Thursday, December 9, 2021 – 1:30 p.m.
Virtual Zoom Webinar

MEMBERS PRESENT: Yvonne Horton, Chair, Elsie Addington, Ryna Rothberg, Cush Bhada, Maggie Blackwell, Annie McCary, Pearl Lee, Diane Casey, Dennis Boudreau, Ajit Gidwani

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Bunny Carpenter, Joan Milliman, Juanita Skillman, Anthony Liberatore, Debbie Dotson

STAFF PRESENT: Brian Gruner, Jennifer Murphy, Jackie Kupfert

Call to Order

Chair Horton called the meeting to order at 1:32 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 November 8, 2021

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

Chair's Remarks

Chair Horton stated she will hold her remarks until Committee Member Comments.

Report of the Recreation and Special Events Director

Mr. Gruner stated staffing and recruiting constraints continue to challenge the Recreation Department's opportunity to expand operations. Staff is rotating among the different locations to ensure current facility hours which is the main focus at present. COVID numbers are trending up to 283 cases today in Orange County. Staff is researching cost savings measures such as modifications to pool hours and lifeguard services which will be discussed later in

this meeting. The Saddleback College Emeritus Institute contract has been approved and classes are set to begin January 17. Please see the Emeritus website for class registration.

The following employees have been recognized for their performance and dedication resulting in promotions: Miguel Magdaleno, Clubhouse 5 supervisor, Katarzyna Wasidowski-Serrano, Fitness coordinator and Sean Anthony, Golf operations supervisor.

The online reservation system survey is complete and staff is analyzing the data for presentation at the January CAC meeting. Tree trimming for overgrown trees has been completed at Garden Center 1 and 2. Staff positions at the Garden Centers will be filled by beginning of the new year. Pickleball lights installation is to begin on January 29, 2022. Circuit training classes will resume on January 4 and a drop-in Tai Chi class will be hosted at Clubhouse 7, 9 to 11 a.m. The Equestrian Center will build a new quarantine area and the rat abatement program has exceeded expectations as there is a noticeable reduction in rats. The Performing Arts Center (PAC) staff is streamlining the scheduling of tech services by working closely with club event organizers to minimize last-minute requests. There was an article in the Globe regarding masks being worn at PAC events during mega events which does not apply to these events as they are well under the state and county guidelines of a mega event definition of over 1,000 in attendance.

Ms. Murphy stated a holiday cheer home decorating contest will be hosted again this year. Images must be submitted by December 22 and winners will receive tickets to an upcoming PAC show. A free Mindful Flow Yoga class will begin Fridays, 1 to 2 p.m. at the Clubhouse 1 Main Lounge. The Clubhouse 5 Monday movie will be at 4 p.m. on December 27; please register on ActiveNet. New Year's Eve will be hosted both at the PAC and Clubhouse 5. The Performing Arts Center will host a variety show which starts at 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$25 to \$35. The Clubhouse 5 event will host an 80s theme band and a ball drop toast at 9 p.m. and midnight with doors opening at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 and may be purchased at the Clubhouse 5 office. The Christmas buffet sold out in hours. Many events have been limited due to catering costs rising; staff is researching more options to offer dinners once again at some events.

Member Comments (Items Not on the Agenda)

Members were called to speak on the following items: Garden Center garden plots with trees and tree size; against the use of Kourts; garden plot rental process; reopening of the billiards room at the Performing Arts Center; removal of a lane line at Pool 2 at 11 a.m.; 19 Restaurant promoting caterers for the Village.

Director Casey stated Kourts has been useful for a time, but many have stated the online system is no longer useful for their needs.

CONSENT

A motion was made to approve the consent calendar.

Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Revenue Resources Ad Hoc Committee - Chair Horton stated the first meeting will be held on January 12. If you are interested in participating, please email your information to Ms. Kupfert.

Aquadettes 2022 Frozen Fees - Ms. Murphy stated the Aquadettes request for a freeze of fees for 2022 due to COVID affecting club operations. Ms. Murphy shared the fee information with the Aquadettes in a previous meeting including an increase in GRF expenses for 2022.

Ms. Murphy proposed to freeze the fees for 2022 to allow the Aquadettes to sustain their show and to revisit fees for 2023.

Staff was directed to freeze fees for 2022.

Equestrian Dressage Court Donation - Ms. Murphy stated some boarders contributed to the purchase a dressage court at the Equestrian Center. The Committee thanked this group for their donation.

Staff was directed to move forward with the GRF donation process for the dressage court.

Online Reservation System Disciplinary Protocol - Mr. Gruner stated the staff report recommendation which will encompass all online reservation systems.

Discussion ensued.

Staff was directed to propose the disciplinary protocol to establish fair and equitable use of GRF amenities reserved through the online reservation systems. If a resident is found to be in violation, the following disciplinary actions will be imposed:

1. First Offense: Verbal warning;
2. Second Offense: Written warning and final notice;
3. Third Offense: The infraction will be referred to the Compliance Division to initiate the disciplinary process.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

Pool Operating Hours Modification - Mr. Gruner stated the staff recommendation to review and discuss the proposed modifications to pool operating hours and lifeguard services to enhance pool operating efficiencies.

Motion was made to review and discuss the proposed modifications to pool operating hours and lifeguard services to enhance pool operating efficiencies for both options.

Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion ensued.

Motion was made to recommend approval of the proposed option 2 as presented by staff:

Pool #	Winter Hours	Summer Hours
Pool 1	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.	7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Pool 2	7 a.m. to 6 p.m. No Lifeguard	7 a.m. to 6 p.m. No Lifeguard
Pool 4	8 a.m. to 9 p.m.	7 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Pool 5	6 a.m. to 6 p.m.	6 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Pool 6	closed	12 p.m. to 6 p.m. (summer only)

Motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Golf Greens Committee Update – Staff was directed to keep this item under Future Agendas.

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

Compliance Notifications at Garden Centers – Staff was directed to place this item under Reports for the next CAC agenda.

CONCLUDING BUSINESS

Committee Member Comments

Director McCary thanked everyone for the good discussion regarding the pool operating hours modification allowing the committee to make good decisions.

Director Addington stated this was a good meeting.

Director Blackwell stated she is pleased with Recreation as the department is doing a good job and this was a good recommendation for the online reservation system disciplinary protocol.

Director Casey stated she enjoys being on this committee.

Chair Horton stated Kourts is an important topic of discussion and requests all parties allow the committee and staff to complete due diligence while trying to make a decision that may be satisfactory to everyone. She requested staff ask those at Garden Centers that are willing to donate their time to assist with complaints. She stated the remodel of the Performing Arts Center is hindering the reopening of the billiards room and staff will work to get the room open as soon as possible.

Date of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the GRF Community Activities Committee will be held both in the board room and virtually at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 13, 2021.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:13 p.m.

____*Yvonne Horton*____

Yvonne Horton, Chair