WACCRA Board Meeting

November 12, 2021

Via Zoom

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**Attendees:**

*Board*: Rick Baugh, Interim Vice President; Jim Crim, Treasurer; Carlos Caguiat, Cassandra Carothers, Monica Clement, Judy Love

*Committee Chairs*: Susan Dillon

*CCRC Coordinators*: Barry Witham, Tom Sakata

*Guests*: Mark Damborg, Laura Saunders

Interim Vice President Rick Baugh called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.

Minutes: The minutes from October 8, 2021, were approved by consent. Tom suggested that the term Resident Council varies by community. He would like some thought about how to define those residents in leadership and find a commonality.

Rick asked the attendees to introduce themselves since there were visitors.

Treasurer’s Report: Approved by consent.

Evaluation of Annual Meeting: Rick asked for comments on how valuable the Annual Meeting was and ideas for improvement. Laura Saunders, a resident of Hearthstone, felt very enthused about WACCRA after the meeting. She is particularly interested in seeing the stream of the meeting, particularly of Dr. Pearson’s speech. She suggested that some social time following the meeting would have been appreciated.

 Carlos reported a good turnout. He felt the parking and other organization went well. He and Laura emphasized that the meeting is a way to make WACCRA better known and understood.

 Susan mentioned Donna’s presentation as a concise and well-organized presentation of WACCRA past and future. Rick suggested that the slides of her presentation could be used at the various CCRCs. Rick referred to Dr Pearson’s list of residents’ rights which were very Important, built from her years of experience with CCRCs throughout the country. She Monica suggested that this information will be on the website and could be included In the President’s letter.

 Rick mentioned the importance of the Ombuds law guaranteeing that people in a health care facility can designate someone who can visit. Disaster planning is part of that bill.

 Mark suggested the value of a high-profile speaker. Rick indicated that Patricia Hunter of the Ombuds office might be a possibility for a future speaker. Other facilities such as a movie theater, a church, or school might be investigated. **Rick suggested a discussion at a future Board meeting concerning other venue possibilities for the Annual Meeting**.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update on Commitment to CCRC Practices: Rick asked for an update about how each community is educating the residents about the Commitment document. Emerald Heights is waiting for the resident association’s new administration to take over the first of the year. Timber Ridge plans a series of presentations at their floor meetings and hope to get their Executive Director to join. They will start with a meeting of WACCRA members on Dec 4 to educate them on the document and encourage their advocacy. Rick has some power point slides discussing the sequence of steps outlined by the Commitment to CCRC practices. The list might provide discussion points that the residents would find helpful. Monica has asked the coordinators to each give her a paragraph to describe their process, intending to add the information to the next News-Mail.

 Rick suggested that a slogan might be designed such as “transparency builds trust, trust builds communities”. Monica and Barry brought up the idea of the Importance of the Resident Council President’s understanding and pushing forward as the situation may be needed.

Long-term Financial Task Force: The committee is still working on getting information on four distinct topics for a final report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim inquired about the status of Nicole’s replacement. There is some urgency to have this in place before the end of the year. A discussion followed about how Tom receives change information for Go-Daddy. He receives information about deletions from the coordinators, but he does not get information on new members directly from Nicole. There was a consensus that most all information should flow through Jim. He forwards all information to Nicole but will now also send the information about new members to Tom. Tom, however, feels that he is up to date with only four bounces with the last News-Mail. **Susan will compose a document clearly outlining procedure for Board discussion next month**.

 Barry asked if Nancy Reilly might be approached as a replacement for Nicole. Nicole has been paid $25/hour.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 am. An Executive Session followed. The next meeting is December10, 10:00-12:00 by Zoom.

Respectfully submitted: Susan Dillon, Acting Secretary