Chateau Estates Civic Organization Minutes of Board Meeting

Conducted CECO Board Meeting on Tuesday, February 4, 2025, at the Kenner Pavilion at Kenner City Park. The meeting started at 6:00 p.m. This was a meeting of officers and area directors.

Present: Alison Wolf, Bob Bales, Alton McFarland, Garey Mann II, Ted Berggren, Ron Updegraff, Terry Duffy, Bud Logan, Sharon Kochera, and Ex-Officio Members Councilman George Branigan.

Absent: Ira Snyder, Todd Murphy, Brad Bohannan.

Topic	Discussion	Action Item
Meeting Convened	A quorum being present, CECO President convened the meeting and announced the agenda. Secretary circulated a sign in sheet.	None
Old Business	Briefly reviewed status of paid memberships. Past President requested assistance with correcting the IT problem he's confronted with submitting dues reminders to CECO Members. Mr. Logan said he might be able to assist.	Resolve IT issue with dues reminders
	Briefly read results from the survey sent to members. The number of respondents was disappointingly low responses.	President agreed to distribute the proposed draft meeting dates to members
	Reviewed meeting dates for 2025 Calendar Year and discussed neighboring civic organization(s) invites. Moved to adopt proposed calendar presented by Past President (attch'd). Second and carried without dissent.	
	Discussed moving Board and General Membership meetings to Chateau Country Club as an option to trim some of the organization costs.	Continue dialogue with country club. Past President agreed to draft proposal addressing the move.

	If the board agrees to shift all board meetings to the country club, then we should reconsider live streaming general board meetings. Live streaming at the pavilion was not possible because we could not piggyback off the pavilion Wi-Fi network. Past President announced the individual's submitting articles for the newsletter and Mr. MacFarland provided an update on the businesses he approached regarding advertising in the newsletter.	Submit articles for newsletter NLT 21 February . Reconcile sponsorship sales.
	Past President recommended CECO discontinue the subscription with Survey Monkey [which expires March 15, 2025] and start using Google Forms.	Motion. Terminate Survey Monkey subscription. and identify an individual who would like to become a subject matter expert on Google Forms. Seconded and carried without dissent.
Community Initiatives	Past President provided an analysis of the comments submitted through the survey.	None
	Newsletter goes to the printer on the 25 th or 26 th of February and we must lock in speakers before the 25 th of February.	President will invite VIPs and also invite Director of Code Enforcement and Kenner Police Chief to speak at the general meeting.
	Councilman Branigan provided an update on initiatives he is working on throughout the community.	Councilman Branigan will investigate whether CECO has a Cooperative Agreement with the City of Kenner.
		Councilman Branigan agreed to ask the city to move the school zone sign vic St. Julien and Chateau

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New Business General Membership Meeting Prep	Past President provided a breakdown of tasks from the August General Meeting. Sponsor table Ms. Kochera (Garden Club), Kenner Fire Department. Soliciting ideas for additional sponsors. President agreed to create a blog announcing the next general meeting and Past President reminded the board that the reminder is also published in the newsletter. General Meeting task list attached.	President will send out meeting calendar to elected officials Past President and Secretary will send point of contact list of neighboring civic organizations to President President agreed to create a blog for NextDoor website
Nominating Comte External Affairs Comte Advertising Comte Communications Comte Membership Comte	Reviewed and renewed appointees Reviewed and renewed appointees Reviewed and renewed appointees Mr. Logan agreed to join the Communications Comte Reviewed and renewed appointees Meeting adjourned 7:55 pm	Moved to approve committee members on all committees (attch'd). Seconded without dissent

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Garey N. Mann II October 6, 2024.