

Honeywell Retirees and Activities Club Minutes

Tuesday, November 5, 2024, 1:00 pm

Sherry (Maxson) Myers, Secretary

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In attendance: Kirk Anderson, Larry Bowe, Joyce Colella, Keith Hughes, Christine Lindley, Doug Metzger, Sherry Myers, Don Nicholas, Kevin Vetter, Judy Wilger

1. Welcome – Keith

Due personal reasons, Melanie suggested she resign as a board member but all attendees rejected her resignation and agreed to leave her on the board as dormant.

2. Review of minutes – Keith

Keith reviewed the action items noted in last month's meeting minutes.

Doug had an action item, which he covered in the Treasurer's report.

Minutes were approved.

3. Treasurer's Report – Doug/Christine

The AAC account is no more, everything has been moved into the HRAC account, no issues; and Doug, Christine, and Keith have access.

There was no further activity in October in the AAC account, other than a couple of dues payments. Activity in the HRAC account relates primarily to dues and the Japanese Garden event, per Doug's reports, plus \$1330 that came in for the ABT Beauty and the Beast event.

Doug said (the action item) that he will add new lines to the "Monthly Income and Expense" sheet for activities as they come up, which use treasury funds in any way, as can be seen now for the Japanese Garden event and the ABT Beauty and the Beast event.

Doug will save Kirk's Japanese Garden event spreadsheet so that he has record of who paid, how much and what date, so that we have record of money coming in to make sure that money from non-members does not go to increasing our assets, which is the real issue. Doug will keep this information for all events. He showed the spreadsheet for the Japanese Garden event, showing the fields of information he needs for each event, for his treasury records and to cross-check numbers with the monthly bank statements. Kirk suggested that he send out a recommended spreadsheet form to activities chairs.

Tax form 990 has been filled in. Fiscal year closed April 30 for HRSC so this is the 990 that Doug turned in. After that we changed the name to HRAC. We're good on the 990.

4. Membership headcount – Barbara

Barbara not in attendance but she had sent her report.

23 HRSC Associate members are included in the membership count (26 last month). Barbara sent each one an email or letter encouraging them to join and will work this through December. 49 memberships expired 5/1/2024 (54 at previous reporting). Barbara will continue to notify and encourage members to renew.

How do we handle a member passing? Call the spouse, but this can be difficult due to personal email and cell phone numbers which may be different than the spouse's. We'll address this next time. In the meantime, will keep surviving spouse on list.

5. Past & future event updates

a. MIM tour – Barbara not here

b. Flight Ops tour – Barbara not here

c. Japanese Friendship Garden – Kirk reported that 20 people attended, event went well. Pictures and write-up are in November Navigator.

d. Manistee Ranch Park – Keith reported that 19 signed up; it's coming up shortly.

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- e. Recycling tour – Keith reported that 10 signed up, can accept more.
- f. Sunset Music cruise – Don reported this is cancelled; he got no inquiries. Spring or October might be better timing for the event.

When events are cancelled or sold out, PJ needs to be notified so she can update the website; don't want to advertise what is not available.

When a new event is offered, PJ needs to be notified to put it on the website by the event organizer.

- g. ABT – Kevin reported that 19 have signed up for Beauty and the Beast. Two tables of 6 and two tables of 4.
- h. Wrigley Mansion – Larry. Date is Saturday, Feb. 15. Our cost up to 15 people is \$250 which Larry pays the day we go. Cost for attendees is \$17 per person. Over 15 people, cost would be \$500, you can have up to 25 people. For now, we're saying 15 people can go and may go higher based on response; payment to be made by checks only.

Discussion followed regarding payment of events – PayPal/check. Event organizer should choose payment method. This resulted in an action item: resolve what happens when someone signs up for an event on PayPal, does the organizer get notification that PayPal has been paid or just the fact that someone signed up for the event.

- i. Caribbean Cruise – Barbara R not in attendance.
- j. Hall of Flame – Melanie was going to do this but Keith asked Kirk if he could do it in her place. He agreed.
- k. Christmas Lunch – Joyce said 14 people paid (8 checks) and she'd like to see a couple hundred show up so we need to encourage people to attend. Keith suggested the board members attend. Sign-up cut-off will be extended to 12/9. No walk-ins accepted. Joyce will do an email blast next two weeks and first of the month. It will be on the Facebook page.
- l. Winter/Spring events – we have events going up to March, could use more events. Spring picnic will be discussed next month. Keith can do SW Air again. Kirk mentioned the museum of illusions (near the aquarium), \$20/person, 15% discount for a group, an indoor event. April to May would be good. Ping tour was good (several years ago). Fed Ex distribution, Amazon tour – Don will look into these. Keith will add SW Air for next month's newsletter. People seem to like to see how things are done.

6. Website Status – PJ/Kevin

No status from PJ, she's been ill. Event planners need to take ownership, read newsletter for accuracy of event information published. Financials have not been put up from the old Honeywell club. PJ has been adding pictures from events like lunches. Keith will talk to her about Wrigley mansion payments (no Paypal) and change Christmas lunch cut-off date.

7. November Navigator Review – Joyce

Page 2 – Some information is underlined to get people's attention. It's bold also.

Page 3 – Needs to be edited by Kirk.

Page 8 – ABT. This event is sold out. Say Sold Out on the page.

Page 9 – Holiday Luncheon. Change deadline to 9th. Change layout of lunch menu to make it clearer. Payment accepted via check or PayPal.

Page 11 – Larry provided corrections during the meeting.

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8. New business

- a. Garrett club status. The Board discussed merging the club with the HRAC but the consensus was not to do that, the club is dissolved. The Board will recommend to the membership that they join HRAC at their meeting next week. They will consider sharing their membership with us. About 400 members remaining on their Facebook page.

9. Round Table discussion

Kirk – where do we put stuff we want to share with members such as old pictures. This will be discussed at next meeting. Add some old pictures like what Sandi Parmigiani and Sherry Myers have to Newsletter?

Kevin V – the 60's and 70's concert is a community choir where people can go for free. These have been added to Navigator in the past, many are in Sun City area. Kevin will add the event back in just because it's a free event people can attend.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 pm. Next meeting: Tuesday, December 3, 1:00 pm.

Action Items:

- Prior to every meeting, everyone should review the minutes and the reports sent out by Board.
- Event leaders should be familiar with the information Doug needs for each event, for his treasury reports. He emailed this to the board on 11/4.
- Decide how to address a member's passing with regards to their membership.
- Board members are encouraged to sign up for the Holiday luncheon.
- Resolve what happens when someone signs up for an event on PayPal, does the organizer get notification that PayPal has been paid or just the fact that someone signed up for the event.
- Where can we have old pictures of Honeywell events/people available for members, maybe add them to the newsletter?