

Robert Russell Eastern Star Masonic Center of Colorado, Inc
House of Delegates Meeting
June 17, 2017

Call to order: Terry Hudson, Chairperson, at 10:05 am.

Invocation: Herb Carr

Welcome and Introductions:

Terry Hudson welcomed everyone, and thanked all for attending.

Present: Present: Terry Hudson, Chairperson; Ashley Buss, Vice-Chairperson; Elizabeth Spangler, Treasurer; Karen Karns; Herb Carr; Larry Lillo, Executive Director and Teresa Hudson, recording secretary.

Terry introduced Lina Byrd, who is filling in the remainder of the year for Lesle Thomas, who has moved to Nevada.

Absent: Gary Malara; Carrie Andree; Michael Moore

Delegates: Phyllis Everitt, Colorado #2; Leon Sonkson, Pueblo #7; Steven Everitt, Corinthian #35; Gloria Pool, Manzanita #85; Janet Blankenship, Metro #157
Valerie Hannon, Manzanita #85, guest

Approval of Agenda: Phyllis Everitt moved approval of the agenda as written, seconded by Karen Karns, motion passed.

Approval of the March 18, 2017 House of Delegates minutes: The minutes were approved as written without objection.

Ridgeline Management Report: Larry Lillo, Executive Director, and Pati Sawyer-Boex

Larry Lillo discussed the operations report. We have done well overall. The census is a little under 90%. We have lost several residents over the last month or so. We are still generating a profit for the Center.

Pati Sawyer-Boex presented her report.

First Pati noted that she likes the way Herb looks without his beard.

Several of the residents received their years of service OES or Masonic pins. There was a 75-year and a 60-year pin presented.

Littleton Assembly Rainbow Girls made \$1400 in about 4 hours with the Shred-A-Thon.

The Senior Prom was a great success. The El Jebel Family Band has played here for us twice.

We had the annual Golf Tournament yesterday with 161 golfers. It was the biggest golf tournament Park Hill Golf Course has had. We made \$12,000.00 on the tournament. Pati is still calculating how much was made on the silent auction.

Please make plans to attend Comedy Night on July 27th. We are having all new comedians this year and it is a clean show, no profanity. Please sell tickets to family friends, neighbors, etc. We want a full house. Tickets are \$15 for balcony seats and \$25 for floor seats.

The Resident's Family BBQ will be on June 30th at 11:00am. Food will be set up inside and outside.

The Masonic Fraternal Family Picnic & Car Show will be on Saturday, August 19th, 11:00am to 2:00pm.

Thanks were given to Pati for a great, well organized Golf Tournament.

Pati asked that everyone encourage their Chapters/Lodges to hold a meeting at the Center. The residents who are members came here because of the OES/Masonic connection and really want to attend a meeting.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee: Elizabeth Spangler

Beth discussed the financial report. Our investments have been performing quite well as of late. We are continuing to operate in the black.

Planning Committee: Herb Carr

The committee is looking at long-term options for the Center.

Education Committee: Carrie Andree

Carrie is working on future programs for the Delegates' meeting.

New Business: none

Unfinished Business:

Board of Trustees Positions: Terry Hudson has submitted a letter stating his intention to run for the 5-year Board position in September. We have received no other letters of intent to date.

There will be three (3) positions open in September. A 5-year term, a 2-year term and a 1-year term. If you are wondering about being on the Board, but reluctant to commit to

a 5-year position, put your name in for the 2 or 1-year term. This would allow you to see what is involved.

Beth, Carrie, Terry and Larry attended the MCSA conference in Kentucky this month. There were many informative speakers. They learned that other homes, which take non-Masonic residents, have about the same percentage of Masonic Family residents as we do, which is about 38%. Just before the conference Florida opened their Home to the public. Some of the Homes are starting Home Health Programs. Illinois is spending over \$1 million on their program. Many of the Homes are looking at what we have been doing and the success we are having.

Communications/Announcements:

The next House of Delegates meeting will be the Annual Meeting in September. It will again be held here in the Fraternal Meeting room. Due to many requests, the meeting will be held in the morning instead of the afternoon. Details will be announced regarding the exact time.

Meeting closed at 10:30am.

Educational Program:

“The World of Medicaid” was presented by Jennifer Hanson with Helping Hands.

Jennifer gave a very illuminating talk about what is involved in getting on Medicaid. There are many requirements, some of which vary greatly from state to state. It is a long process and can take up to 6 to 9 months to complete. If you know you will need to go on Medicaid, plan ahead. While you need to pay for it, it is very beneficial to hire a professional to help you navigate the Medicaid process.

Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Hudson, Recording Secretary