

Robert Russell Eastern Star Masonic Center of Colorado, Inc
House of Delegates Meeting
December 16, 2017

Call to order: Terry Hudson, Vice-Chairperson, at 10:03 am.

Invocation: Steve Schroeder

Welcome and Introductions:

Ashley Buss welcomed everyone, and thanked all for attending.

Present: Terry Hudson, Vice-Chairperson; Elizabeth Spangler, Treasurer; Michael Moore, Kathy Easterday, Steve Schroeder, Larry Lillo, Executive Director; Pati Sawyer-Boex, Fraternal Relations, Deborah Kirsten, Bob Gossett, Executive Director Safe homecare and Teresa Hudson, recording secretary.

Absent: Ashley Buss, Gary Malara; Carrie Andree, Jim Jarvis

Delegates: Phyllis Everitt, Colorado #2; Steven Everitt, Corinthian #35; Doris Schrupp, Excelsior #66; Gloria Pool, SVV, Manzanita #85; Karen Higginbotham, Southgate #104; Judy Morrison, Areme #124 & Mt Zion #133; Kay Finnerty, Dawn #125; Janet Blankenship, Metro #157, Jim Earhart

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

Approval of the June 17, 2017 House of Delegates minutes: Kathy Easterday moved to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Elizabeth Spangler. Motion passed.

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

Larry reported we had a good November and finished above the budget. This month we had four of our residents from Memory Care pass away. We have three residents in the community currently on hospice. Overall the residents and the community are doing well.

We now have an in-house CPA doing our financials and that is going well.

Pati gave her report which included:

The Fire Department was here on September 11 for a pizza party to thank them for all that they do for us. They took pictures with the residents. They told Pati that we are the only community who invites them to interact with the residents.

Channel 7 came out twice and did stories on the community which aired on two different days.

We again participated in Colorado Gives Day and we had donations made to the Center in the amount of \$5,385.00 which is more than last year.

The Open House Christmas Party was last night and we had a great turnout.

The Golf Tournament will be June 15, 2018 at Park Hill Golf Course and will be the Going Out with A Bang tournament as Park Hill is scheduled to be closed after this summer.

The Masonic Family Appreciation Night is April 11th. Loyalty Chapter will be giving out 50 year pins to a couple who live here in the community.

Marie Dailey will be 104 on January 13th. It would be great to shower her with cards. She is a member of Unity Chapter #97. We have put in an application for the Today Show birthday recognition. Her birthday party will be in January. She was having fun and dancing at the party last night.

Our new website is about ready to be launched. We are very excited about it so be sure to check it out.

If you are on Facebook, please like us and like and share the items we post. This keeps them active.

Pati gave out a gift to all in attendance as a thank you for all they do to spread the word about the Center.

Thank you to Royal Arch, Commandry and Liberty Lodge – all the residents will get the item on their wish list as well as a bag of toiletries.

If anyone speaks Russian, please contact Pati. We have a new resident we are having a hard time communicating with.

Comedy Night will be in August 01, 2018.

Upcoming fraternal meetings include: Dawn #125 in January, Unity #97, Royal Arch and Commandry in February and Dawn #125 again in March.

The Shred-A-Thon will be on April 28th.

We will have the Senior Prom on May 19th. We really need men to come and dance with the ladies, so please consider attending.

900 Christmas Cards were sent out this year.

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee: Elizabeth Spangler

We have a new Controller, Shirley Norman and the transition from Ridgeline is going very well.

Beth has spoken with our Investment Banker and we doing well.

Planning Committee: Kathy Easterday

The committee is looking at what we should do with the Old Building. It is at risk because of its age and we are discussing our options.

Education Committee:

The education schedule for the delegates meetings for the coming year is complete. We have one coming up for end of life planning.

New Business: none

Unfinished Business: none

Communications/Announcements:

Deborah Kirsten told everyone we had nine move-ins in September but we are now in the season where we tend to lose people.

The brochure for the Center has been re-done. They used photos of our residents in the brochure. Call Deb or Diane if someone would like a brochure mailed to them.

Deb let everyone know to feel free to call her if you or someone you know needs advice on transitioning to assisted living.

Meeting closed at approximately 10:30am.

Educational Program:

Bob Gossett, the Executive Director of Safe Homecare

Bob spoke about home healthcare. He said sometimes it is a short-term need, other times it is a long-term situation. No long term commitment is required.

If you have questions about home healthcare Bob can be reached at 720-242-7959.

Respectfully submitted,
Teresa Hudson, Recording Secretary