

Robert Russell Eastern Star Masonic Center of Colorado, Inc.
House of Delegates Quarterly Meeting
March 16, 2019

Call to order: Ashley Buss, Chairperson, at 10:00 am

Present: Board of Trustees members: Ashley Buss, Terry Hudson, Carrie Andree, Kathy Easterday, Jim Jarvis, Michael Moore, Bart Wegner. House of Delegates members: Janet Blankenship, Chuck Downing, Marlene Doyle, Phyllis Everett, Steve Everett, Gloria Pool, Doris Schrupp. Larry Lillo, Executive Director; Pati Sawyer-Boex, Fraternal Relations, and Phyllis Click, recording secretary.

Opening Invocation: Michael Moore

Welcome and Introductions: Ashley Buss welcomed those in attendance to the House of Delegates quarterly meeting. All present were asked to introduce themselves.

Approval of Agenda: A motion to accept the meeting agenda was made by Carrie Andree, second by Kathy Easterday, agenda was approved.

Approval of December 15, 2018 Meeting Minutes: A motion to accept the minutes was made by Carrie Andree, second by Kathy Easterday, minutes were approved.

Summary of ESMRC Operations by Larry Lillo and Pati Sawyer Boex:

Larry reported there has been a lot of turnover at Eastern Star over the last few months with several residents passing and others moving on to skilled nursing facilities. The Barry Building is almost full, and the Russell Building has a few vacant rooms. Snow removal went well this week after the Blizzard.

Pati shared about the activities being planned for the next few months. AARP will hold a Safe Driving Class in the Fraternal Room on April 17th, 9 am to 1 pm. Cost will be \$15 for AARP members/\$20 for Non-members. Anyone interested can call the reception desk at Eastern Star to sign up. The next Blood Drive will be held on Friday, April 26th. Pati asked those present to sign-up to donate blood. She is planning the Picnic and Car Show, which will be held on Saturday, August 17th and Comedy Night, held on Wednesday, August 7th. All Comedy Night tickets will be \$20 this year. She is looking into having a new comedian.

Save your documents to shred and bring them Saturday, May 4th between 10 am-Noon to the Barry Building parking lot. She has registered 81 golfers for the Golf Tournament on July 19th. Still looking for a Beverage Cart sponsor which includes advertising and entrance fees for 4 golfers. Many Chapters and Lodges have scheduled meetings to be held in the Fraternal Room

this year. Pati closed with sad news that long-time resident Marie Daley passed away this week at the age of 105. The great staff at Eastern Star cared for her excellently.

Financial Committee: Kathy Easterday, chairperson

Kathy presented the ESMRC Dashboard of Financials to the Delegates. There has been some personnel changes in the accounting department at Eastern Star, therefore financial statements have only been finalized through October 2018. ESMRC has hired an accounting temp to bring financials current. ESMRC Investment Portfolios are climbing back from the market downturn in December. Investment Advisors will attend the next financial meeting on March 19th.

Planning Committee: Kathy Easterday, chairperson

The Planning Committee is meeting regularly with Pinkard Construction and Lantz Boggio to plan the replacement of the Russell Assisted Living Building. ESMRC is using a design build model which links the construction and design companies together throughout the process. The committee is looking at design options, but final decisions have not been made.

Education Committee: Carrie Andree, chairperson

There are many changes to preparing a will so the Education Committee will present “How to Prepare a Will” at the next House of Delegates meeting on June 15th.

New Business:

Ashley asked for questions from the Delegates.

When, where and how will residents be moved during the construction of the new building?

Ashley expressed that there are no firm plans as of now on how the move will go. The goal is to have residents move only once and keep from using temporary housing.

Terry Hudson reminded Delegates that there will be two Board positions open in October. Applications can be downloaded from the website or you can contact a current board member.

Larry Lillo presented information on Private Duty Home Care. Private Duty Home Care is generally the first level of care for seniors and is brought directly to the resident’s home. Most people do not know where to start to find a provider. There are over 550 Registered Private Duty Care companies in Colorado. Make sure you hire a reputable person who is bonded and dependable. Insurance doesn’t always pay for Private Duty Care so it can be expensive.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis Click, Recording Secretary