



Allegheny County

Retirees Association

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Meeting Minutes via Zoom
February 16, 2022
11:15 AM

Present: Pamela Long, Marge Lubawy, JoAnna McQuaide, Connie Przybyla, Donna Johnson-Smith, Cathy Thomas, Guy Tumolo

Absent: Joan McMahon

Attendees: Hugh Hachmeister, Sharon Sylvestri

Approval of minutes from December 14, 2021 -with corrections: Moved: Marge Lubawy. Seconded: Connie Przybyla. Passed.

Financial Status Report and Approval of Expenses

Motion to approve the payment of expenses \$2693.93: Moved: Pam Long. Seconded: Donna Johnson-Smith. Passed.

Motion to accept the Financial Report with a total in all accounts of \$66,412.97. Moved: Pam Long. Seconded: Connie Przybyla. Passed.

Committee Reports

Newsletter will be mailed on February 28.

Picnic - Hugh Hachmeister will oversee execution for this year's event at North Park.

Luncheon Meeting – March 16

Speaker – Joe Risher, County Police – Identity theft

Registration desk –Marge and Pam volunteered

50/50 raffle – Ed Przybyla volunteered

Menus - Donna and Connie volunteered

Audio Video equipment- Joe needs a screen

Question: Should we require all attendees to have reservations for future luncheons? Do we turn away walk-ins? Need a reservation. Put them in a stand-by position if they appear. Check for cancellations and no-shows before they can enter like we did at the Holiday Party. New language was developed for inclusion on the postcards and on the website.

April meeting Connie won't be there.

Activities for 2022

Dates for Boat Ride - Gateway Clipper \$25 for seniors or Rivers of Steel. Trying for early September date.

Tour of Botanic Garden in July for \$14.



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Suggestions by the membership survey included: Rocky Bleier; a Financial Planning expert to talk about wills, estates, and taxes for the elderly; and a tour of Peterson Center. Hugh to check on availability of Penguin player.

Voice mail service – We are paid up for the year thru October 2022 with our current provider. Marge to monitor calls for the Association. When its time to renew we can look at other services including free ones, supposedly Google.

Membership

Number of members last year 1051

Number of Renewals this year -838. There is a difference of 213 members who haven't renewed yet. The second notice was mailed a few weeks ago but no significant results to report. Of the 277 new retirees in 2021, 39 joined the association.

New business

Our printer, Banksville Printing, has sent a message to us about the paper shortage and the added fuel cost to deliver it to businesses like them. Connie and JoAnna give Bonnie Dix advance notice of the needs of the postcards and newsletter. Any new or non-regular mailings need to be planned with the printer liaison, Bonnie to make sure there will be product available.

Other Issues

Adjournment at 12:25. Next meeting March 16, 2022, at 10 am in the Salk Room. Move: Guy Tumolo. Seconded: JoAnna McQuaide. Passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
JoAnna McQuaide
Secretary