

**ROTONDA WEST ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**JOINT MEETING COMMUNITY**  
**RELATIONS/ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEETING -**  
**MINUTES**  
**Wednesday July 3, 2019**

**Roll Call: PRESENT:** Donna Stogsdill, Russ Kulp, George Burger, Sue Superak, Corliss Arent, Barry Kean, Linda Bondeson, Claudette Romano, Nick Gizzi, Sam Besase, Earl Haas, Diane McGrath & Andy VanScyoc  
**ABSENT:** Stephen Froggatt, Dave Pulaski, Lorene Thompson Mancus, & Sue Killion  
**MANAGEMENT:** Scott Feldkamp

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The chairman called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm  
Roll Call – see above. A quorum of the committee was present.  
Sign in – Visitors: Patti Cowin, Bob Bondeson, Steve Superak, Nadine Clough, Don Mahon, Ginni Mahon, Debbie Yager & Diane Shaw
2. **Approve Minutes:** June minutes were approved via email.

Andy stated that we could scratch item 7 on the agenda (New Chair/Chairs Appointment), as he has decided to stay on for a while.

**REVIEW NEW APPLICATIONS FOR COMMUNITY EVENTS**

- 5 Applications Received
- July 8, 2019 Englewood Fishing Club
- July 30, 2019 Vineland Elementary School 11am to 3:30pm
- August 16, 2019 Englewood Fishing Club \$250.
- December 11, 2019 Wildlife Committee 1pm – 3pm
- March 28 & 29, 2020 Rotary Club of Placida Seafood Festival 3,000-4,000 participants 10:00am to 5:00pm each day

A discussion followed regarding the Rotary Club. The committee needs time to read thru the application as it is long and complicated. Andy stated that we should postpone a vote on it until next meeting. Scott Feldkamp informed the committee if they had any questions

regarding the application to write down the questions and give to Scott who would get answers.

The committee agreed to accept the first 4 applications and to postpone the 5<sup>th</sup> until next meeting. Diane made the motion to accept the first 4 and postpone the 5<sup>th</sup> until next meeting, and Russ Kulp did the 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **DISCUSSION OF SUMMER PARTY**

- Claudette stated that we are in good shape with the planning. She handed out the program which will be handed out the day of the event. It includes a map, a timetable of events and the sponsor listing. She thanked Sue S for her hard work on completing the program.
- The Amvets train will provide rides around the park.
- We will have a meeting of the volunteers on Friday 7/12 at 2:30 in the afternoon. Linda stated that all volunteers were called or received an email about the meeting. She will follow up again next week.
- Any questions, please contact Claudette, Sue S. or Linda B

## **MERGE COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

- Donna made the motion to merge the community relations and activities committees and Barry did the 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- A discussion began on the pros and cons.
- George Burger stated that the charters were different.
- Sue S wants to merge
- Linda B wants to merge as the major activities of the Community Relations Committee is Westway, Website, Christmas Parade, Volunteer Dinner and Open House. All of these could be a sub-committee.
- Although Sue Killion was not in attendance, she did send an email stating that she did not want to merge.
- Barry Kean thinks it would work well if merged.
- Don Mahon thinks it should be 2 committees.
- Earl votes not to combine the two committees.
- Sam feels that it would be too big.
- Andy felt that each committee had a different position so we should not merge.
- Barry withdrew his 2<sup>nd</sup> and Donna withdrew her motion.
- We will go back to 2 different committees starting in August.

## **WEST WAYS**

- Diane Shaw was in the audience and stood and introduced herself and stated that she would like to become a writer for West Ways. Andy told Diane that she should talk to Christine and Barry about helping.
- Everyone loves the new look of West Ways. Thanks to Christine Lee it really looks great.
- May-June West Ways online 7/1
- July-August West Ways: Deadline 8/23, First proof 8/26, Approval 8/27, Post on Website 8/30
- Some of the articles will be, Summerfest, Greatest Show on Earth, Election, Events from clubs, Introducing new writers Karen Harvey and Kara Mullen.

## **WEBSITE**

- 3001 hits on the Website in June, Visitors from US, Israel, Ukraine, Russia, Great Britain, Canada, Germany, Netherland and China.
- Russ and Scott stated that they are still in the process of cleaning up the information on the Website.
- Website is in transition.
- Any changes can go the Russ or Scott.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **VISITOR INPUT**

- Debbie Yager needed clarification on how to use the calendar to reserve times. Claudette stated that all she must do is call Claudette and Claudette can tell her if the rooms are available for that date and time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Linda asked if we were going to have an Open House this year, we need to set a date. Linda suggested that we have it on Thursday 11/7 and Claudette will check calendar and Linda will fill out application. Linda stated that if anyone was interested in taking over, please let her know. In the meantime, Linda is Chair and Sue Superak is Co-Chair.
- Earl stated that we still needed a Chair for the Christmas Decorating. He stated that Pat Dix did an excellent job of documenting all the inventory and where everything is placed. Scott stated that his maintenance staff would do the parks and Sue S. stated that Sue Killion has volunteered to do the bridges and the Community Center.

Meeting adjourned at 2:23

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday August 7th at 1:00PM – Activities Committee and 2:00 pm for Community Relations

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Linda Bondeson

RWA ACTIVITIES/COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE