

Minutes for Fundraising committee meeting on 4/12/23

Meeting was called to order at 1:05 PM by Carol Davis and she opened with a prayer. Those in attendance were Dianne Jones, Diane Thomas, Emily Watts, Pamela Kelly, Brandi Chambers, Frank Thompson and Jan Parsons. Both Leigh Thomson and Kristina Clemens joined the meeting for a short period of time. Kristina collected check for sponsorships and Leigh gave a report on the golf courses she has contacted for golf packages for a Silent Auction item. She also shared that she may have 2 potential raffle baskets, one being a wine basket and then a gardening basket.

Minutes for 3/22/23 were reviewed and Diane Thomas made motion to approve them with Dianne Jones seconded. Vote taken and they were unanimously approved.

Minutes for 4/5 were reviewed and Diane Thomas made motion to approve them with Dianne Jones seconded. Vote taken and they were unanimously approved.

Ticket sales, Brandi reported that the Summerville front desk is completely out of tickets. Pamela gave her 3 tickets she had and Diane Thomas gave her 8 tickets that she had. Brandi reported that 60 tickets had sold and 2 tickets were sold to employee's. A tally was taken by Carol and Emily who was needing tickets and they came up with the number 13. So as of today it looks like we have 75 tickets asked for (62 of them we have money in hand)

Carol passed around a sign up sheet to help with selling raffle tickets. Kristina will be available to help if there are any issues with the square that night.

Jan had received a raffle basket item from Sweetwater 1-2-3 and also a check for \$200.00.

Brandi shared about the picture that was donated by council person, Kima Garten-Schmidt. The picture is titled "A Very Fun Balance" and is of Owls and is very colorful.

Leigh was asked about the staff working and we do have a person for Saturday night for maintenance. Brandi will ask that they wear a DSI polo shirt, no hat and khaki pants.

There will no classes on the following Monday morning so that staff can get floors cleaned and the rooms set up for the rest of the day. This is according to Leigh and LaQuinta.

Any leftover food will be boxed up and available for \$5.00 to all committee members.

Brandi shared the notecards she had made, saying, "Thank You For Helping Us Grow" along with the Center's email. These along with a couple seed packets will go in an organza bag.

Brandi brought up dollar amount to start the evening with and she suggested that we start with \$500.00, which is the amount we started with last year.

Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each.

Discussion on a thank you gift for Rob Fowler was tabled for now as people are thinking of items for this.

Brandi asked if there were any vendors that needed to be paid the night of. Both Lisa's Southern Catering and Corkx Bartending have been paid in full. A deposit was given to the DJ, Charles Doctor of \$100.00 and so he will need a check for \$150.00 the night of the event.

Diane Jones asked about what time to have the dancers there to dance. It was decided that at 6:45 they will perform 2 dances. Directly after that Rob Fowler will begin to call out table numbers and people will start going through the line for dinner.

Emily brought up how dark the parking lot will be upon leaving that night and suggested that we look into getting some lights out there. Brandi looked into renting some lights for the night and the best price is from Allied Rental at \$145.00 each.

Pamela made a motion that we rent 2 of these lights and Frank seconded the motion. Vote taken and it passed unanimously.

Brandi will use the program from last year (with a few changes made) and run them off there at the Center.

Carol reported that flowers were very reasonable from Costco.

It was decided that we would meet at 2:30 on the 21st to set up and decorate the rooms.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Pamela and Diane Thomas seconded it.

Meeting ended at 2:45 PM. Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, the 19th at 2:00.