# DORCHESTER SENIORS, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

Location: FAITH SELLERS SENIOR CENTER SUMMERVILLE, SC

The Board of Directors meeting date and time were submitted for publication to the Summerville Journal Scene, St. George Eagle record and Post and Courier as well as posted at the Faith Sellers and the David Sojourner Senior Centers.

## **Board of Directors Attendance (Quorum status)**

Allen, Barb	(R)	Main, Haren
Baus, Donald	(L)	Parsons, Jan
Cornette, Russ	(N)	Thomas, Diane
Davis, Carol		Thomas, Frank
Hodges, James		Villeponteaux, James
Hudson, Tim	(N)	Watson, Felisa (Malika)
Jones, Dianne		Watts, Emily
Kelly, Pamela		Winston, Kathleen
Lewis, Tim		

(A-Absent without Notification) (N-Absent with Notification) (L-Late) (LE-Left Early) (R-Resigned) (V-Virtual)

**Call to Order:** Chairman Emily Watts called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** LaQuinta West, Brandi Chambers, Kristina Clemmons

VISITOR IN ATTENDANCE: Sharon Sellers (HR) and Debbie Louden (Bus Driver)

**QUORUM CONFIRMED:** Secretary Diane Thomas

**Motion to approve the Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda by Jay Villeponteaux with a second by Haren Main. Motion carried.

**Motion to approve the Minutes of July 13, 2023:** Jay Villeponteaux motioned to approve the minutes with a second by Malika Watson. Motion carried.

**Motion to approve the August 10, 2023 Minutes:** Motion to approve the August 10 2023, minutes by Malika Watson with a second by Jay Villeponteaux. Motion carried

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

HR PRESENTATION - Sharon Sellers
No outstanding Formal Complaints (in-house or at State level)

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**EXECUTIVE COMITTEE REPORT**: Chairman Watts advised that the Executive Committee met multiple times with meetings held on July 21, August 1 and September 14.

FUNDRAISING: Pamela Kelly & Carol Davis (co-chairs)

Meetings were held on July 13, 2023, July 19, 2023, August 3, 2023, August 10, 2023, August 16, 2023, September 1, 2023 and September 14, 2023. Discussions centered on the event planned for October 7, 2023 in St. George.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Chairman Tim Hudson

No meeting held.

### **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE: Chairman James Villeponteaux**

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The Governance Committee met multiple times with discussions centering around the David Sojourner Center and the tiles.

Additionally, the Governance Committee has been working on updating the Constitution and By-Laws. The update has been completed and was presented at today's meeting. As this was the second reading, a motion was made by Haren Main with a second by Dianne Jones to accept the changes as presented to the Board for final approval. Motion passed.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Chairman Haren Main

Chairman Main proceeded with the Finance Report noting he had no motions at this time.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Laquinta West

Acting Executive Director Laquinta West took this opportunity to update activities at the Summerville as well as the St. George centers.

OLD BUSINESS: None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

The next meeting will be held on November 09, 2023 at the David Sojourner Center in St. George at 8:30 AM.

A motion to adjourn was made by Diane Thomas with a second by Malika Watson.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM.

**Respectfully Submitted by Secretary Diane Thomas**