HERITAGE ON THE MARINA

RESIDENTS’ COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES OF THE MEETING, NOVEMBER 26, 2021

Present: Bernie Burke, Gary Skootsky, Martha Torres, Fred Wentker

Staff: Joe Conroy

Board: Tony Hanley, Margaret Jacobs

Bernie Burke, Chair of the Residents’ Council, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Bernie asked for a moment of silence for those friends and residents who are no longer with us and those who may be ill.

Treasurer’s Report: Martha Torres reported that $1,000 has been transferred from Activities to the Garden Committee line item. This will more accurately reflect expenses. Through October, $162.91 was disbursed to the Garden Committee and $1,100 was raised for the Hunter’s Point project.

Board Report: Tony Hanley reported that the Residents have two representatives on the Board of Directors – one voting member and a non-voting member who is usually the President of the Residents’ Council. Margaret Jacobs is completing her three-year term and may stand for reelection. Tony is accepting nominations through the end of November and voting will be completed by December 19. Note that Tony is also a Board member elected by the Board, not the Residents.

Tony also wanted to note how thankful the Residents are for the wonderful Heritage staff.

Staff Reports: Joe Conroy presented remarks on behalf of Mary Linde and Hanh Ta.

We are in the process of revamping the Cottage Memory Support Day Program. The Cottage will be reserved for five to six Residents with cognitive impairment. They will continue to live in their apartments. After morning care, they will move to the Cottage for activities and support, returning to their apartments for PM care and bedtime. The Cottage will be staffed with a Certified Nursing Assistant and an Activities Assistant. Ultimately, meals will be provided in the Cottage. The program is still being developed and, in the meantime, appropriate care will continue to be provided in Fellowship Hall.

Tony and Bernie assisted the staff in delivering Thanksgiving themed baked goods to our local police and fire stations. This is a new activity and was well received. Little Brothers - Friends of the Elderly will also receive ten $35 gift cards and 100 Christmas cards for distribution to seniors in need.

We continue to work on a concept plan as part of our strategic planning. We have put out a request for proposals for an architect for initial work on the concept plan.

The Residents’ Holiday Party will be held on December 15 and the Staff Holiday Party on December 17. The Semi-Annual Resident’s Meeting will be held on January 14, 2022.

While we continue to prioritize Resident’s health and safety over visitations we have extended in-room visitations to 90 minutes and 60 minutes in public rooms and outdoors. We anticipate adding guest meals on a limited basis in December. We will announce a modified protocol at the December tenth Council Meeting.

If you have not received a Booster Shot and would like to do so, please contact Sandra Peret.

President’s Report: Bernie Burke reported that we have an outstanding slate of officers for the new Residents’ Council term beginning 1/1/2022. They are President Patrick Alexander, Vice President Martha Torres, Treasurer Paula Cornyn, and Secretary Theo Armour. The slate was approved unanimously.

The issue of Health Center stickers has been raised. We will need to continue the use of stickers for the foreseeable future. Also, the new Council should explore the possibility of posting the Council Minutes on-line.

Food Committee: Mary Liz Harris reported that the Food Committee met on November ninth. The new fall/winter menu will begin December fifth with heartier items and some breakfast modification. The Pasta/Pad Thai Bar will return shortly. The Committee will meet next on January 11 at 10:30 a.m. in the McGinley Room.

Open Discussion: We have recently lost four potential residents due to our restrictive pet policy. For discussion purposes, Bernie will send out a pet policy used by other facilities. It appears that we are the only fairly large facility in San Francisco that does not take pets.

Can we add information about on-site podiatrist, dental hygienist, and manicurist to the Happenings?

The deadline for donations to the Employee Appreciation Fund is Monday, November 29.

Katrina Kleine, Assistant Director of Community Life:

Holiday Light Tour will be on Wednesday December 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29at 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. in the Heritage Van.

Symphony Outing to the Nutcracker is on December 21 at 7:15 p.m. Tickets are $29.95. Checks or cash accepted. Please give all payment to Activities.

The next Residents’ Council Meeting will be held on Friday,

December 10, 2021.

Council Secretary