

GHBC Resident Council Community Meeting

August 8, 2022

Carole Hunt, Council Chair, called the Resident Community Meeting to order at 10 am.

A moment of silence was observed for: Florence Fus; Robert Frank; Dorothy Mulligan; Shirley Scalley; and Gwenellen Scupholm.

The following new residents were introduced: Ellen Dayton; Judy Greenberg; Anne Tonks; James Vandeputte; Charlyn Buss; Harry Blair and Barbara Shailor; Winfred and Carmen Thompson; Michael and Victoria Carns; Jane Staub; Robert Shackleton; and Walter and Ginnie Knight.

Carole Hunt introduced the Employee Gift Fund slides prepared by Jean and Lucy Lee Reed in their absence. The Employee Gift Fund is our way of showing our staff appreciation because Goodwin House has a strict no tipping policy. All non-management personnel receive gifts based upon their length of service. The contributions are considered gifts and the employees do not pay taxes on the gifts; thus, our gifts to them are not tax-deductible. You can write checks payable to the Employee Gift Fund at any time and place them in the box in the mailroom or at the time of the campaign. Friends and family can also contribute by writing checks to the Goodwin House BC Employee Fund. If you have any questions or would like to help with the campaign, contact the Reeds at x3121

Sally Recinos demonstrated how to find the bylaws on the resident website. From the home page, click on Councils and Committees, click on Resident Council and click on the bottom entry, bylaws. You will need to go to the final entry on that page and click on the red Click Here. The bylaws will then come up. Sally then called attention to the Section B, Bylaws. She explained that the election time has been changed from early December to either October or November and we strongly encourage newly elected members to attend council meetings prior to their taking office. This is to give the newly elected members the chance to get acquainted with the council members and the way the council functions.

Sally Recinos also highlighted the achievements of this year's Resident Council which included the Resident Survey; Monthly Resident Council meeting; Resident Council Committee Fair; Sending welcoming notes to New Staff and New Residents; and hosting weekly newcomer luncheons with Justin, Linda, and Rob. She also highlighted the work of the various Resident Council committees who work independently and with the Resident Council to work with management. She also highlighted the thread in the VACCRA digest about the functioning of the Resident Council here compared to other places and said that we are fortunate to be in a place where our voices are heard.

Chris White, chair of the Election Committee, reported that voting this year would be from November 15-18; we would be electing 6 at large members and the Assisted Living residents would elect their own representative. The nomination period will be from September 11 – October 17. Pre-election publicity will be displayed from November 1 – 18. She indicated that the Candidate Forum would be November 14, candidates will be given a chance to speak with a

Meet and Greet immediately following the meeting. She also stated that she didn't want the speaking requirement to be an impediment to anyone running so she will work with individuals on their presentation. She also suggested that, if residents are thinking of running, they attend the upcoming Resident Council Meetings on Aug 15, September 19 and October 17. She also indicated that the Assisted Living Residents were also able to vote for the at large slate.

Carole Hunt adjourned the meeting at 10:45 am.

Submitted by Martha Trunk

Approved 8/15/22 – 11 Ayes, 3 Not Present