

HAPFS General Meeting Minutes, March 9, 2022

225 Rockridge Dr.. Hillsborough

Attending: Stacey Allara, Kim Bagby, Elise Brand, Elaine Breeze, Phoebe Pluchar, Maria Collazos Tsao, Meghan Crowell, Molly Dillon, Lorin Flynn, Cindy Harper, Barbara Krebs, Diane Leonard, Natalie Lynch, Nicole Magaddino, Tammi Michael, Cindy Moscaret, Davina Murphy, Cynthia Newman, Martha Phillips, Leslie Ragsdale, Angela Rohde, Erin Sinclair, Nancy Spencer

Guest: Deborah Miller and Ron Lynch, PFS

Co-Presidents Stacey Allara and Angela Rohde called the meeting to order at 9:35 am. Upon motion made by Leslie Ragsdale and seconded by Maria Collazos Tsao, the minutes of the February 9, 2022 General Meeting were unanimously approved with no revisions. Stacey noted that the Red Car Bel Auxiliary seeks volunteers to work at its Family Tree Thrift Shop in San Carlos. Anyone can make an appointment to donate clothes and household items there as well.

Guest Speaker: Deborah Miller, PFS

Deborah thanked Auxiliary members for organizing the in-person Gala, and indicated that the Auxiliary's support was noted and appreciated at the recent PFS Staff retreat. PFS is aware of the desire for more in-person service opportunities. Due to covid restrictions, even parents are not allowed into the classrooms at this time. As the risk retreats, there is an orderly plan to allow in parents, then occupational therapists. After these steps, volunteers will be allowed back in to the Early Learning Centers and Fair Oaks Community Center. The remote service projects such as the diaper drive and grocery bags have been very much needed and appreciated by PFS clients.

Guest Speaker: PFS Board Chair Ron Lynch

Ron thanked the Auxiliary for the Gala, and encouraged everyone to come ready to bid. He reported that PFS' new Chief Program Officer Charles Hernandez will attend the Gala, and asked us all to welcome him as he moves from Detroit. PFS hopes to have most in-person services re-established by July 1. Ron noted that PFS has been able to give out 125 "Guardian Angel" grants of \$5000 each to clients affected by the pandemic. The Board has begun a strategic planning process. Priorities include fostering a healthy and positive work environment, continuing community leadership and provision of high quality professionally delivered services in the 39 program areas, services and sites operated by PFS. The Board has also established a Next Generation Board to introduce younger people in the community to board service and to PFS. Nominations are open for young philanthropists in the 25-40 age range.

Gala: Maria and Nicole, Natalie

Maria reviewed the status of Donation Drawing sales and asked members to forward the promotional emails to friends whether or not they will attend the Gala. Tickets for the Signature Party September 18 are also available online. Nicole reported that logistics emails will be dropping soon with instructions for Gala parking, pre-registration, bidding, etc. and asked members to model being quiet during the auction to promote a better bidding environment. There will be a roaming photographer, and dancing from 9:30 to 11. Natalie reported the final sponsorship total is \$330,000.

New Members: Davina and Molly

The New Members gathered for coffee at Il Piccolo, and will likely have another gathering before year end. The Sponsor Party was very well run and fun. Around 70 people attended.

Membership: Diane and Clare

Diane and Clare ask all members to pay their dues and submit their membership form for next year. They have 7-8 very solid prospects for next year's new member class, and will host a wine tasting party in May for everyone who sponsors a New Member.

External Communications: Angela for Cortney

Angela reported for Cortney that the Nob Hill Gazette will cover the Gala.

Service: Cindy

Cindy reported that the February food drive was very successful, and delivered food bags to 10 families led by single moms. Next year there should be many more in-person service opportunities.

Social: Stacey and Angela

Stacy and Angela reported for Eme and Kristin that the Bocce Social at Washington Park was small but successful and a model for future events. They are planning one more social event this year.

Sustainers: Stacey and Angela

The Sustainer reunion rescheduled from January will now take place on April 27.

Hearing no further business, the Co-Presidents adjourned the meeting at 10:20 am.