

LGBT Club of SCW

January 4, 2021

## Board Meeting

### Board Members Present:

**President:** Suzanne Arnopolin

**Vice-President:** Patty Book

**Secretary:** Betsy George

**Treasurer:** Rob Upton

**Member at Large:** Pat Nelson, Ann Teeters Johnson, Cindy Hanson

### Absent

**Safety Chair:** Judith Frank

Other Attendees: Lori Morris, Susan Krabbe, Janet Smith, Ronnie Williams

**The meeting took place via Zoom and started at 6 pm**

## Welcome

The board members and attendees introduced themselves and gave a brief description of their background and interests in the club. Several mentioned that the fact that SCW has an LGBT club was important in their decision to purchase a home here.

## Club Update

1. Suzanne - per the Rec Center, there is currently no established date for when social clubs can restart their in-person activities. **It isn't clear whether quarterly club meetings are currently required, so Suzanne will contact Dory to get this information.**  
CR-5 – needs to be submitted to the Rec Center. Betsy has not received it from Patty. **Patty will email Betsy the signed form ASAP.**
2. Rob – Current funds \$3,167.57  
No expenses since March 2019, except for a debit card fee (went from \$2/month to \$4/month because of a fee waiver lapse) and Constant Contact \$8.51/month  
Total current club expenses: \$12.51/month.  
**It was decided that Suzanne and Betsy will have debit cards. Betsy/Suzanne need to work out signing forms at the bank for authorization.**
3. Patty – there are currently 111 club members. Constant Contact indicates that approximately 2/3 of recipients are opening club emails.  
There is a desire to see if we can avoid the expense of Constant Contact by switching to Mail Chimp. We would need to be able to import the member list into Mail Chimp.  
**Betsy will look in to what it would take to switch to Mail Chimp.**

4. Group discussion about how to re-engage the membership. 25 people did not rejoin the club in the 2019-2020 renewal period. Cindy moved to SCW shortly before COVID restrictions and appreciated the call she got from the LGBT club board at that time. **Board members will split the membership list and reach out to people via phone calls to reconnect, encourage them to attend upcoming events, and find out who needs help setting up Zoom. Patty will write up directions on how to join a Zoom meeting.**

### 2021 Tee-Off (New Business)

1. Discussion about how to theme events. Suggestions: February love theme, inauguration event, happy hour. Love can be anything a member cares about – pet, activity, book, movie – not necessarily amorous. Discussed that we may want to offer non-themed events where members can talk about what is on their minds.

#### **Planned Events:**

Jan 21<sup>st</sup> 8:30 am – breakfast chat

Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 4 or 5 pm – happy hour

Mar – need to know if we need to have an official membership meeting. May do a St. Patrick's Day theme. March 14 was discussed as a potential date.

#### **Board Meetings:**

1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month at 6 pm

2. Membership list. Suzanne would like to send the member list to all members – name, phone #, email only. Discussed that member privacy is important. **Agreed that before we publish the list we would include a reminder in the next email that members have the option to not have their information published in the list, as well as ask on our outreach calls.**
3. We are currently using Pat and Patty's Zoom account. In the future the club may need to pay for a dedicated account.
4. Division of labor
  - **Cindy will handle monthly publication of club information to the Rec Center News and the Independent.** Need to get her the information on what she needs to do
  - Ann volunteered to switch from Member at Large to Membership Chair. Ann was appointed by the Board to that position. **Ann will divide the member list and send it to board members.**
  - Susan Krabbe volunteered to become a Member at Large. The Board approved her appointment to that position.
5. **Patty/Pat – will put together an LGBT themed list of movies and books that may be of interest to members.** We may publish some of these in the monthly newsletter.

Suzanne thanked everyone for their time and engagement and the meeting adjourned.

**Betsy George**

Secretary, LGBT Club of Sun City West