

Hillcrest Committee Meeting Minutes
May 3, 2021
Rellik Winery

The May 3, 2021 Hillcrest Committee meeting was called to order by President Christin Sherbourne at 5:18 PM. There were 40 members in attendance which includes five new members.

Old Business:

Minutes from April 2021 Meeting:

Nancy Suvoy moved to approve the May minutes. Jenn Stringer seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Mary Jo Hofteizer reminded members all the financial statements and three policies needing member approval were sent via email and can also be found on the Hillcrest website. The current Statement of Financial Position's balance is \$30,232.50. This amount is expected to be enough for ball. The Statement of Activity for the period of March 1 to May 1 shows the deductions of checks cashed by award and grant recipients. These totaled \$84,817.78.

The three policies emailed out were regarding: Whistleblower Protection Policy, Conflict of Interest Policy, and Document of Retention and Destruction Policy. These policies are required from the IRS for a non-profit having more than \$200,000 in revenue. Please read through these three policies, and Hillcrest will vote to approve them next month.

The fiscal year begins July 1, 2021. At that time, dues will be due. If members want to pay their dues through PayPal, an additional \$1.50 will be charged.

Correspondence Report:

Lara David reported seven letters of correspondence:

- Matt McNair, President OHSU Foundation, thanked Hillcrest for the generous contribution supporting Research Pilot Projects. In addition, he expressed how many discoveries lead into successful cancer treatments.
- Scott Kelly, President and CEO, Asante, thanked Hillcrest for the generous donation to the Asante Cancer Compassion Fund. Since 2017, Hillcrest has donated more than \$128,000 to this fund which helps local people facing cancer. Over 2,000 people are diagnosed in our area yearly.

- Floyd E. Harmon, Executive Director, Asante Foundation, extended his thanks for Hillcrest's gift of \$20,000 to the Asante Cancer Compassion Fund. He shared a story from one cancer patient how the funds significantly help cover items not covered by insurance.
- Arlene Wedsted, Executive Director, Providence Community Health Foundation, expressed her thanks for the \$10,000 donation. This donation will help in the continuation of the Sister's of Providence's mission to care for the poor and vulnerable.
- Kelly S. Buechler, President & Chief Philanthropy Officer, Providence Foundation of Oregon, expressed his gratitude for the donation to Providence.
- Dixie Hackstedde, Hillcrest member, expressed her thanks for the yellow rose, and her appreciation to the women of Hillcrest after a procedure.
- Nancy Suvoy, Hillcrest member, expressed her thanks for the yellow rose after her loss. She acknowledged how one single rose from so many Hillcrest women warmed her heart.

Yellow Rose:

Kate Empasis reported two yellow roses were delivered. One rose went to Dixie Hackstedde and the other to Nancy Suvoy.

Data Base:

Edie Chezick reported she had met with Sue to take over the data base manager. Christin told the group new members will be introduced to the Hillcrest website and Shutterfly site.

New Business:

Introduction of New Members:

- Marion Denard - mother of two, CASA volunteer and Writer's Room business
- Maggie Mayers - mother of two, has worked on non-profit development, and on the Board at Kid Time
- Vanessa Thompson - mother of two, Master's in Social Work mainly working with children in autism
- Tiffany Dahl - mother of three, now an empty nester, has worked with Oregon Wine Experience decorating, Hearts with a Mission as well as a business owner
- Carrie Robertson - mother of three daughters - worked in real estate on the title side - worked with NCL (National Charity League) working with mother daughter volunteering

Two new members were not able to attend the meeting: Megan Rea and Chrissy Olsen. Crissy is the daughter of Nancy Day.

Board Nominating Committee:

Anne Barry and Jenn Stringer announced the new board nominations. Their terms will begin July 1, 2021.

President - Kate Empasis
President Elect - Nancy Suvoy
Treasurer - Judy Gambee
Treasurer Elect - Dixie Hackstedde
Recording Secretary - Anne Jantzi
Corresponding Secretary - Rebecca McAnally

A vote was taken to approve the board nominations. All board nominations were approved.

Party Chair Updates:

- Martinis & Mayhem - Barb Raniele continues to work on this event.
- Moveable Feast Dinner - Judy Gambee announced the dinner would be October 16. Barbara Johnson and Carla Haveman will get back to Judy on if they can still host parts of the progressive dinner. If not, the party will be held at the Gambee's house.
- Wines of the World Pairing - Stephanie DeBoer said the party will be June 26. This is a committee cooks for this all women's event. Guests will be rotating from room to room with each room celebrating a different country.
- Balloons, Bubbles and Brunch - Skye and Yvette said the party will be on May 15 held at the Hillcrest House. The focus will be a champagne and caviar bar, followed by a sit down three course meal. They are currently looking for a musician within their budget and a speciality coffee machine. However, it was discussed not to be too concerned about the budget as Hillcrest needs to "make it right" for our guests understanding Covid cancelled so many events. Many members agreed this was a good approach. Yvette will be looking for members to decorate and work the party.
- Top Gun - Pattie Diehl confirmed the Top Gun party would be held on August 22. Some of the ideas are: an American theme of red, white and blue decorations and food, volleyball and a karaoke machine to sing, "Lost that Loving Feeling."
- La Dolce Vita - Karen Porschett Miller announced this party will be held at Zoey Pegan's house sometime in the fall possibly October 9. It will be an Italian themed party with committee cooks.

- Farm to Table - Rebekah McAnnally reported this party will be at Linda Maddux's house in the fall. It was sold as a party for 40 but now sit down for 12. This party will feature the local bounty.
- Oktoberfest - Paden Voget and Lara David - This party is TBA concerning Covid numbers.

Christin reviewed the first half / second half cooking versus committee cooking for the parties. The size of the party is the determination. The membership list for Hillcrest is divided into two sections. Members will either be on the first half or second half cooking so as to share the involvement. A committee cooks party is exactly that - members on the party committee will do the cooking. For larger parties, there are also buy-out spots if not everyone is needed.

Ball Chair Updates:

Paden announced they are getting a decoration theme together to go with this year's theme of "Birds of a Feather - 75 years together." There are a few members that still haven't signed up for a committee and need to do so. New members need to sign up because it's for the Hillcrest Ball. The date of the Hillcrest Ball is always the first Friday in December. The chairs are waiting on Covid restrictions to learn how to proceed.

Heimann Cancer Center Tour Report:

Christin described the incredible Heimann Cancer Center tour a group of members: Anne Barry, Christin S., Rebecca, Mary Jo, Kate, Marianne. She mentioned it was beyond her expectations and what Hillcrest does "really hit home." There will be another tour May 20 and possibly another one later one. It's possible we may be able to have one of our Hillcrest Meetings there after completed in January.

Rebecca McAnnally described her experience joining the tour and how it really hit home as a cancer patient. The tour began with a description of a typical cancer patient's life today with all the appointments going to multiple buildings. The goal is to coordinate all phases of treatment in one building, to meet the expanding needs of a rapidly growing cancer population and to make it much easier for the patient and their loved ones. Some of the all appointments "under one roof" features on the three story building include: radiation oncology, tumor board meeting space, PET and CT scanners, sharing room (wigs, garments, knitted caps), massage room, nurse area, social worker offices, exam room, in house lab for all blood tests, infusion area, pharmacy and cafeteria. The chil-

dren's cancer hospital will be in another building nearby. More information regarding this state of the art medical building can be found on the Asante Foundation website.

Shutterfly:

Jenn Stringer, Historian, announced she will send an invite to the new members to join the Hillcrest Shutterfly website. This website allows members to share pictures of parties and other Hillcrest events. Jenn has also worked to create all the Hillcrest books since becoming Historian. Christin Sherbourne will be taking over next year this position as Jenn is retiring from Hillcrest.

The next meeting will be at RoxyAnn Winery, June 7, at 5:00. This June meeting will include Excaliburs. Just a reminder because of Covid, we have had to meet in special open air meetings. It may eventually go back to house meetings with lunches.

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Anne Jantzi
Hillcrest Recording Secretary