



Hillcrest Committee Meeting January 8, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Patti Diehl at 5:31pm. There were 26 members present. Patti thanked the kitchen crew for the food and Dixie for opening her home for the meeting.

Old Business

Meeting Minutes:

Sue Martin made a motion to approve the November 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Tiffany Dahl seconded. The meeting minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report:

Paden Voget reported on the financial statement of activity since November. The Ball had approximately \$217,000 in income and expenses are still being submitted. A final Ball income/expense report will be given at our March meeting.

Correspondence Report:

- Thank you note from Leila J. Eisenstein center for cookies.
- Thank you note from Sue and David Martin for the Wild West Party.
- Thank you note from Mary Jo Hoftiezer for the wonderful Ball.
- Thank you note from Dixie Hackstedde for the yellow rose bouquet in honor of Dick Hackstedde.

Hospitality/Yellow Rose:

Rebekah said that yellow roses were delivered to Tom Glatte in honor of Mary Glatte, to Staci Drewian in the loss of her mother, and to Dixie Hackstedde in the loss of her husband, Dick.

Database Update:

Karen Porschett-Miller gave a database update. A discussion was had re: the database and mail merge in order to have the correct addressing of Ball invites.

Party Reports:

Rebekah gave an overview of Marion's Holiday Party for 24 which was held in early December 2023. Great food and great fun! Their favorite recipe was the beef tenderloin. She will send that recipe to all.

Some Excalibur's may enjoy helping to work some parties if replacements are needed. Patti will reach out to see who is interested and will update the list.

New Business

Upcoming Parties

Girl's Night Out "As If". Christin said they will push to sell more tickets. Only 38 sold so far and they can have up to 100. She will send out an invite we can forward to friends. The party will be on 2/9/24 and the 2nd half cooks.

Hillcrest Ball 2023 Debrief

Food was good. A discussion was had about how to avoid what happened when a party was incorrectly sold twice. Discussed logistics training, spotter training, and credit card fees. It was decided not to pass those fees on to the buyer of parties. We will continue with the \$10 flat fee for ticket purchases. The speaker (Christian Gold-Stagg) did a great job.

Focus Committee Report

Dana Smith recapped the OHSU impact report with detail about a research study our 2021 Ball revenue funded which is "Nanotechnology for Multimodal Imaging of Glioblastoma." An update will be provided soon about the research studies our 2022 Ball revenue funded.

Patti said the April 2024 meeting will stay as scheduled on 4/1/24.

Patti mentioned that members should be prepared to nominate new members at the March meeting. We will vote on new members at the April 1st meeting. If you will not be present, please find a proxy to submit your votes in person. Patti read the new member availability requirements.

Patti read resignation letters from Esther Hehn (effective immediately), Helen Koenigsman (effective September), Anne Barry (effective immediately) and Judy Gambee (effective September). Judy and Anne are eligible to be Excalibur's.

Patti mentioned WaFd approved a \$500 grant to Hillcrest. She will apply again next year.

The next meeting will be held at 10:30am on Monday, March 4th, 2024, at Karin Dailey's home.

The meeting was adjourned by Patti Diehl at 6:51pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cristie Fairbanks
Recording Secretary