

Denver Police Retirees Association Inc.
Meeting Minutes February 7, 2024
RMLEFCU Main Office

In attendance were: President John Schnittgrund, Vice President John Pettinger, Secretary Jennifer Pettinger, Treasurer Paulette Schnittgrund, Chris Hoag, Michael Martinez, Dave Metzler, Glen Miller, and Rose Sapegin. Mark Belusak, Barb Miller and Janice Queen were absent. Cathy Davis attended as a guest.

Audit Committee Members in attendance were: Hilda Lorandi and Harry Queen. Anthony Burkhardt was absent.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:04am by President John Schnittgrund.

Old Business

Peer Support/Psych Services Update

No report.

Police Women Update

Rosie Sapegin said they have about 65 members.

Denver Police Museum Update

Chris Hoag said everything is set for Saturday's Theater presentation. He asked for anyone who is coming to help to be there by 9:45am, and the doors will open at 10:00am. He said the theater will hold 220. It was decided that we will give the retirees both parts of the ticket, one for their drink and the other for their lunch which will be near the screen in the theater. John Pettinger will bring the retiree name tags and tickets. Glen Miller said there have been 57 paid reservations. Chris said there will be volunteers there to take the \$20 from the civilians.

Chris Hoag also reported that on March 13th there will be a sign dedication ceremony for Elmer Rich at 35th & Jason.

Follow up Special Reports

Web Site

Glen Miller had nothing to report.

Peer Support Web Page

Glen Miller said he has not yet received the information.

Retiree Hats

Discussion regarding purchasing additional retiree hats was discussed. It was suggested that we add the year to the hat and have them available at the picnic. Mike Martinez will get the pricing for 25, 50 & 75 hats and we will discuss it again. Mike showed the box he mails them in.

Denver Police Officers Foundation

Cathy Davis said she has taken over JC Tyus' duties for the Foundation. She explained that she is on a messaging campaign. She said they find there is a lack of awareness that they exist and confusion between the DPOF and the Denver Police Foundation. She said the DPOF focus is on individual officers and has primarily been medical & health. She said the DPF focus has been on agency needs. She shared the strategic planning they have been doing and said they will be changing the name. Cathy said the top 3 areas they would like to focus on is Financial Assistance, Sponsor & Support for individual wellness and resilience, and Compassionate outreach. Discussion was held regarding the DPOF.

Luncheons/Dinners (all Wednesdays)

- February 21, 2024 @ 5:30 PM, Wishbone, 9701 Federal Blvd., Westminster
- March 20, 2024 @ 11:30am, Casa Caliente, 8800 S. Colorado Blvd., Highlands Ranch
- April 17, 2024 @ 11:30am, Café Jordano, 11068 W. Jewell Ave., Lakewood

- May 22, 2024 @5:30pm, Jaime's, 1910 S. Depew St., Denver
 - September 11, 2023 @5:30pm, Hacienda Colorado, 10500 Brierstadt Way, Lone Tree
 - October 23, 2024, 11:30 AM, Oktoberfest, Helga's, 14197 E. Exposition Ave., Aurora
 - November 5, 2024 @ 5:30pm, Cinzetti's – 281 W 104th Ave
- Police Week/May 12-18

John Pettinger said he received several complaints from Janice Queen, Patty Jung and Margaret Chavez regarding holding a luncheon at Casa Caliente. Discussion was held.

Summer Picnic - August 17, 2024 @ Clement Park

Mike Martinez has offered to reserve the permits for the shelters at Clement Park.

Laughlin Reunion - October 14-15

John Schnittgrund said he will be finalizing the contracts with the hotel.

Christmas Dinner & Party – December 14, 2024 @ 5:30pm Sons of Italy

Minutes

Approval of Minutes from January 10, 2024 meeting

Jennifer Pettinger noted the minutes were sent out for review after the meeting and any and all suggested changes have been made.

John Pettinger motioned, Chris Hoag seconded, to approve the January 10, 2024 minutes. The motion was passed unanimously by those members present.

Financial Reports

Approval of January 2024 Financial Report

Treasurer Paulette Schnittgrund noted the Financial Report had been submitted and that Tony Burkhardt said he had reviewed.

John Pettinger motioned, Chris Hoag seconded, to approve the January 2024 Financial Report. The motion was passed unanimously by those members present.

2024 Budget

Paulette Schnittgrund said she had prepared the budget but nothing formal unless someone requests it.

Special Matters for Consideration

New Business

Mike Martinez said he received an email from Finance and they did increase giving retirees \$60 per hour prep time if w/the DA's office.

Theater events were discussed. Some suggestions for future topics included the Crusade for Justice shoot out and Abe Alonzo.

Paulette Schnittgrund shared a thank you card we received from Terry Ball's family.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 10:00am at the RMLEFCU main office.

Adjournment

There being no further business President Schnittgrund adjourned the meeting at 11:23am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Pettinger
Secretary