

**Denver Police Retirees Association Inc.**  
**Meeting Minutes November 30, 2023**  
**RMLEFCU Main Office**

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

*Audit Committee Members in attendance were:* Anthony Burkhardt and Hilda Lorandi. Harry Queen was not in attendance.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:16 am by President John Schnittgrund.

**Old Business**

***Peer Support/Psych Services Update***

Mark Belusak said they were moving forward with the steering committee and Sgt. Bobby Wadler will give them training.

***Formal Approval of Additional Deceased Retiree Flag Purchase via email vote***

Chris Hoag motioned, John Pettinger seconded, to affirm the vote to purchase additional deceased retiree flags in the amount of \$1,000.00. The motion was passed unanimously by those members present.

**Follow up Special Reports**

***Web Site***

Glen Miller had nothing to report.

***Update on Peer Support Web Page***

Mark Belusak will contact Glen Miller to get the information on our website.

***Denver Police Museum Update***

There was no update.

***Review of Alan Berg's Murder Presentation/Luncheon***

Discussion of the presentation was held. It was decided that we need to do a better job of describing what exactly the presentation will be on. President Schnittgrund also suggested we might run some old police movies in the future.

**2023 Activities**

***Review Laughlin Reunion***

Discussion was held. Everyone said golf was great and will continue to be a draw for next year. President Schnittgrund said we need to be prepared for the cost to go up next year. He said the dates for next year will be October 14-15 with golf on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Mike Martinez said he has about 60 hats left and would like to send one to Dale Lawless. Everyone was in agreement. Mike Martinez also said he needed an address or contact information for Joe Garcia to send his hat to him. Glen Miller told Mike to contact him when he doesn't have information in the book. It was also decided that we will have the extra hats available at the Christmas party and our events.

## ***Christmas Party, Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm, Sons of Italy, 5925 W. 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave.***

### ***Alcohol Donations***

Janice Queen said her cousin is donating all the beer. Mike Martinez said he has 12 bottles of wine to donate also. Discussion was held regarding white wine. Mike Martinez and Paulette Schnittgrund will check to see if they have some white wine to donate. Jennifer Pettinger said they could buy some and would donate it if needed.

### ***Trivia Questions & Door Prizes***

Janice Queen suggested they use the 12 bottles of wine for the trivia winners. Jennifer Pettinger suggested an alcohol-free alternative and Janice Queen said she had some sparkling juice bottles. She also said she received a \$25 Cheesecake Factory Gift Card, 4-6 Boondocks Gift Cards, some craft items, gift baskets and the Museum was going to donate something and Kevin Flynn's book. John Schnittgrund said Kathy Tyus has the information for the David Ellis donation. Janice Queen said she will contact her. Paulette Schnittgrund said she can also get the Black Rifle Coffee Gift Basket donation. President Schnittgrund said they will bring the \$300 cash door prizes.

### ***Final Details***

Mike Martinez shared his playlist and played some of it for everyone.

### ***Arrival Time for Board***

Janice Queen said 4:30pm will be enough time for the setup. John Pettinger said he will print the name tags.

### ***Board Christmas Event (Flying W, December 17<sup>th</sup>)***

Jennifer Pettinger reminded everyone about the Flying W event on December 17<sup>th</sup> and asked who was going. Paulette Schnittgrund said she made reservations for herself, John, Dave Metzler and Karen. She shared the information again w/everyone.

## **2024 Activities**

### ***Luncheons/Dinners (all Wednesdays)***

John Pettinger shared the following tentative luncheons/dinners for 2024:

- February 21, 2024 @ 5:30 PM, Wishbone, 9701 Federal Blvd., Westminster
- March 20, 2024 @ 5:30pm, DiCicco's Italian, 6701 Tower Rd., Denver
- 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 TBD (after Laughlin dates set), 2023, 11:30 AM, Oktoberfest Luncheon, Helga's, 14197 E. Exposition Ave., Aurora
- Nov TBD Theater showing for "The Order" at Landmark Theater

It was decided to have the October luncheon on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and there will be a set date and place for November. John Pettinger will monitor when "The Order" comes out and will do it as an extra activity. Glen Miller noted there are about 30 local members who do not have email addresses. Jennifer Pettinger & Barb Miller will coordinate sending those members postcards for the "save the date" events for 2024.

He also shared the following Other Events/Activities planned for 2024:

- Police Week/May
- Summer Picnic/August
- Laughlin Reunion/October
- Christmas Dinner & Party/December

Mike Martinez will see if we can use the same golf course for 2024 in Laughlin.

## **Minutes**

### ***Approval of Minutes from October 11, 2023 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 October 11, 2023 minutes. The motion was passed unanimously by those members present.

### ***Approval of Minutes from October 28, 2023 General Membership meeting***

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

Chris Hoag motioned, John Pettinger seconded, to approve the October 28, 2023 General Membership minutes. The motion was passed unanimously by those members present.

## **Financial Reports**

### ***Approval of October 2023 Financial Report***

Treasurer Paulette Schnittgrund said she had to pull \$2000.00 out of savings due to all the payments coming due at once. Discussion of our finances was held. She suggested that we do a budget for 2024. Everyone agreed that we will work on a budget at our next meeting and set it for January 10, 2024 at 10:00am.

Tony Burkhardt motioned, John Pettinger seconded, to approve the October 2023 Financial Report. The motion was passed unanimously by those members present.

## **Special Matters for Consideration**

There were none.

## **New Business**

John Pettinger asked what the Board's pleasure would be regarding the request for help from Dave Schultz. Jennifer Pettinger read the email John Pettinger had sent him. It was decided to let him know that he can help by attending our events and if he is still interested in serving on the board, he can run next November. John Pettinger will respond to him.

Rose Sapegin spoke about the WEP/GPO and suggested we send more information about that. Glen Miller shared the history and response from members when we have shared that information.

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be January 10, 2024 at 10:00am.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business President Schnittgrund adjourned the meeting at 11:44am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Pettinger  
Secretary