

The Partnership for Quality Living

DRAFT Minutes

January 18, 2023

Chair Wayne Lowery called the Partnership for Quality Living (“PQL”) meeting to order at 10:10 am at the Cordova Recreation & Park District, Paul Hagan Community Center. Also present were Leslie Fritz, Claudia Goss, Sandi Kukkola, Ashika Lal, Kathy Martinez, Judy Quattrin, Debby Walker, Ward Winchell, and Rena Wood. Directors absent were Barry Trute, Mark Brunner, Barbara Wackford, and Bob Overstreet who is on a leave of absence. Thank you Ashika Lal for hosting the meeting in Zoom.

Welcome and introduction – Kathy Martinez, introduced herself and explained her background in Corrections with the Sacramento County Sheriff’s Department and as a Professor at CSUS. It was also noted that this is Rena’s first in person meeting.

Minutes – The minutes of November 16, 2022, were approved by general Consent.

Wayne suggested **Charlie Willard** be appointed as an emeritus member. Debby moved and Judy seconded the motion. Approved. Wayne will send a letter to Charlie, thanking him for his service.

Finance Report - The Sacramento Parks Foundation received three donations toward the end of the year. The current balance in the Sacramento Parks Foundation fund is \$3,133.

Election of Officers and Appointment of Chairs – Wayne will continue to chair the meeting until a new Chair is appointed. Debby volunteered to serve as Finance Officer, Sandi moved, Judy seconded the motion. Approved. Wayne notified Ashika that Debby is now the PQL Finance Officer.

Website – Claudia received input from committee members regarding the memo she sent. It is the consensus that we move forward with a website refresh. She will talk to Barry about the current website. Claudia hopes to launch the refreshed website in the spring. She recommends staying with a free website.

Hall of Honor Nomination Brochure – The nomination committee will meet on January 23, noon at Brookfield’s in Rancho Cordova and report back at the February meeting. It is recommended that a 5’ x 7’ or similar size post card be mailed to announce the nomination process. The post card could also be distributed at the D2 Banquet and the CPRS Conference Region 1 social in San Diego.

New Board Members – Kathy reached out to an individual in Recreation Therapy who may be interested in serving on the committee. He is highly energetic and would be a good addition.

Committee Reports –

- **Hall of Honor:**
 - Leslie created a Google Docs online form for the Hall of Honor Nominations. Short and conscience answers are required. Photos and letters of recommendation may be emailed.
 - She will set up a pilot program for committee members to give input. Debby suggested that we model the application process after the District 2 Awards Program. District 2 hopes to migrate from PDF to Google Forms later this year.
- **Public Relations:** Leslie will update social media as the nomination process moves forward.
- **Archival/Oral History:** Video interviews of past Hall of Honor recipients and other appropriate individuals should begin soon. Wayne will call Barry to start discussions and to obtain the HOH window clings which Barry ordered last year. Kathy stated research on area Parks could be

- conducted by students through the independent study program. Jonathan Korfhage recently published a book on the History of Parks and Recreation in California. The book could be used as a resource. Kathy is interested in working with Barry on the Archival Committee. Rena is also interested in serving on this committee.
- **Partnerships and Alliance:** No Report.
- **D2 Liaison:**
 - Ashika reported that the February 1, D2 board meeting will be held at California State Parks Office in downtown Sacramento.
 - A CSUS student event is also planned for February 1 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm in Douglas Hall, Room 209 on campus. Debby, Wayne, Kathy and Rena will attend representing the PQL. D2 goal is to get students re-engaged. The PQL will strive to identify a student to serve on the PQL board.
 - The D2 Park Forum is scheduled on February 23 at Maidu Community Center. The event appeals to park planners, as well as maintenance and operations professionals.
 - The D2 Awards and Installation Banquet is on March 1, 2023 at the Rocklin Event Center from 4:30 to 7:00 pm. Banquet theme is James Bond. D2 will play music for the HOH slide show during the cocktail hour.
 - The CPRS Conference is April 3-6, 2023 in San Diego. Region 1 social will be on Monday. PQL representatives are welcome to attend and hand out information.
 - Wayne attended the D2 board meeting in December. They were gracious and let him talk.
- **2022-23 Timeline** – Timeline may change with the new format of the nomination process. Ward pointed out the meeting dates on the time line need to be updated.

Next meeting - The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am. The next meeting is Wednesday, February 15, 2023, in person at Hagan Community Center in Rancho Cordova and via Zoom hosted by Southgate Recreation and Park District.