

SIERRA SAGE REGIONAL SERVICE OFFICE
05-21-17

Present:

Jimmy G – Chair
James C – Vice Chair
Karen R - Treasurer/Secretary
Vince P – Board Member
Dave B – Board Member
Bobby C – Board Member

Absent:

Dylan – RSC Designate
Curt – Board Member
Mark M – RSC Designate
Kelly L – Board Member
Mike S – Board Member
Danny H – Board Member
Mac - Resigned

Visitor:

Sheryl - BLAW
Ami - GOVA
Ken - GOVA
Lisa M - BLAW
Judith - BLAW
Terry - BLAW
Abby - RNA
Wallace - BLAW

At 10:15 am, the meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer in Truckee, CA Dave read the Traditions – James read the 12 Concepts I'm not sure if the minutes from January were approved? We need to address this in July!

1. Phonline balance is \$857.71. All areas are current and payments are being received regularly.
2. Next convention meeting is June 11, 2017 at Round Table Pizza (4th and Vine) in Reno at 2:00 pm, Karen reports that she has been working with the GSR rep to finalize the 2018 contract. She has asked the rep for a meeting with the administrative body at the GSR when the contract is closer to being done. The GSR has been able to keep the prices the same for our 2017 banquets. We have been losing approximately \$3 per meal (dinner) for the past couple of years. The committee has voted to raise the banquet price to \$40. This should cover our loss and be more in line with our prices to the GSR. Our resort fee of \$10 stands for this year. Resort fees are a standard in our local market now and they are not going away, nor will they be waived any longer. By 2018, they will be \$25, but Karen is hoping to negotiate an \$18 rate for 2018. She says that an incremental raise will be easier to swallow than the \$15 raise would represent from 2017 to 2018. She asks that all members refrain from negativity when speaking about booking rooms and rather mention that other states charge large parking fees and Wi-Fi charges and that Reno is just coming into line with other states. James that Karen is appointed as RSO representative to convention going forward. No opposition and Karen states that she is willing. RSO was always represented at convention as standard practice until recent years.
3. Gratitude Dinner: CANA has elected co-chairs, Misty S and Donelle B for the 2017 dinner. A firm date of November 18, 2017 has been set with CC Parks & Rec. Misty attended RSC and states that they have not scheduled a meeting yet but plan to set one soon. Karen states that CANA is very familiar with Gratitude Dinner and is confident that all will go smoothly. They will be asked to submit a report if not in attendance at RSO.
4. Treasurer – RSO general account - \$21,703.85 of which \$857.71 are phonline funds. Storage for the year was paid in the amount of \$984 and the CPA was paid \$650 for the 2016 taxes. Karen has been working with our insurance agent on the 2017 renewal. There have been many forms to fill out and many hoops to jump through, but she thinks she has finally completed all the paperwork. She is still waiting for the bills, but thinks they should be approximately \$600-\$7000. (Karen spoke with the agent on May 22, 2017 and we have been renewed and the bills could be up to two weeks in arriving) The convention account has \$17,578.93 and RSC has \$7646/21
5. Board members ask about Kelly L's absences. The last time she was in attendance was September 2016 in Bishop. She has been removed from the board and is welcome to back when she has the time to participate. Thank you for your service, Kelly!
6. Operating Procedures have been amended as to PayPal by unanimous acceptance. Karen will amend and send to the body.
7. James states that he would like to see all areas represented at RSO and would like Ami (GOVA) and Abby (RNA) to be added to the Board. Questions asked/answered. They both fulfill the time requirements and are unanimously accepted. Welcome aboard, ladies!

Next meeting to be held on **Sunday, 10 am, July 9, 2017** Location – Tahoe Turning Point 2494 Lake Tahoe Blvd Rm C-1, SLT

These minutes subject to review, amendment, and approval by RSO in July 2017.