GRAY PANTHERS SANTA BARBARA NETWORK

MINUTES OF October 28, 2022, 11AM

HOME OF SUZANNE PECK

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Marty Blum, Jo Black, Gail Marshall, Suzanne Peck, David Lebell, David Landecker,

Carol Keator, Richard Solomon, Jan Keller

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Janet Wolf, Susan Rose, Sandy Kievman, Rich Appelbaum

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

MINUTES: Approved, Keator/Peck

TREASURERS REPORT: $3,330.23 on hand

Noted our expenses are approximately $300-$400/month, we accrue funds when we have a forum and during renewals. Accepted, Black/Peck

MEMBERSHIP:

Membership is down (see Treasurer’s Report) Need to recruit new members

Jan is not in charge of recruiting!

PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

Discussion about the upcoming forum, “Caregivers, How to Find ‘em, How to Keep ‘em”, How to Support ‘em”. Need to focus on caregivers and their families, saving housing issues for another forum. ILRS needs to be included. Jo will contact Sandy to clarify basics. Forum will be held first week in December by Zoom. Next forum to be about housing/care facilities. We need to find co-sponsors for each forum

Another idea for a forum is Climate Change: What Are We Leaving our Children and Grandchildren – focus on ways to help the planet. David MD thinks the medical consequences of climate change is a good subject for a forum pairing it with positive action.

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Program Committee (cont’d)

Another idea for forum is finding out what retirees/older adults are doing with their retired lives – art? Sports? What else? Jo is talking with Diane McKenzie about her art. Is their potential for funding from Fund for SB? (Nancy)

Perhaps an annual Wisdom of Elders forum? Wisdom of Elders forum tied to Annual Meeting?

Carol will do some outreach to potential partners.

Susan Rose suggested partnering with Communify as they have many agencies under their umbrella – find out who is working on things that align with our goals and values.

LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY:

No progress yet.

David JD suggested we need a policy for reviewing and signing onto letters – need a simple process. Individual board members wanting a sign on should refer to Richard. Any action taken between meetings needs ratification at next regular board meeting.

LIAISON REPORTS:

Jo reported on LEON – see separate report

ANNUAL MEETING:

January 25, 2023, 5PM by Zoom.

Nominating Committee is Marty Blum, David JD and Carol Keator. Committee will determine board member terms. Members will be asked if they are willing to keep on serving.

Meeting will include panel of Wisdom of Elders part II – one person speaker -same format as last year.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

NEXT MEETING: November 18, 2022, Home of Janet Wolf

Respectfully submitted, Gail Marshall, Secretary