GRAY PANTHERS SANTA BARBARA NETWORK

MINUTES OF November 18, 2022, 11 AM

BY ZOOM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Rich Appelbaum, Richard Solomon, Jo Black, Sandy Kievman, Susan Rose, Carol Keator, David Lebell, David Landecker, Marty Blum, Gail Marshall and Nancy Avoce (staff)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Janet Wolf, Suzanne Peck

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sandy Kievman announced a panel at the Jewish Federation on December 5th at 6:30PM on the rise in anti semitism. The discussion will feature Abe Fox, long time director of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL)

MINUTES:

Keator/Black, accepted unanimously

TREASURERS REPORT:

$2,961.83

MEMBERSHIP:

Jan Keller reported by email 70 paid members and 340 on mailing lists (includes paid members)

PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

Sandy Kievman and Jo Black reported on our upcoming forum, “Caregivers, How to Find ‘em, How to Keep ‘em, How to Support ‘em. Panel will include a member of Coast Caregivers Resource Center, Independent Living Resource Center and the Friendship Center (co-sponsor). The forum will be held at the Jewish Federation (co-sponsor) as an in person and Zoom forum on December 14th from 5 – 6PM. We will record for our website. Sandy will moderate.

Richard Solomon will contact Michael Witt to set up technical logistics for Zoom link.

This may be one of a series on the topic of caregiving. The suggestion of a presentation by IHSS was put on hold for a future panel.

Questions for the panel should be submitted to organizers asap. Question for our membership: What else would you like to hear on this topic?.

We will have a sign up sheet at the forum location. Nancy will work on a flyer, rsvp’s will be expected to attend, Nancy will be in charge of the follow up a week prior to the event. Richard will set up the pre registration Zoom link

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Future forums discussed: Richard Appelbaum suggested a forum showcasing the board mebers who are former elected officials. How do you talk to people you disagree with as an elected? How about a Lefty and a Righty? Lanny Ebenstein, Dale Francisco or Randy Rowse?

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 Dr. Tanya Israel suggested as a presenter speaking about her book, :Beyond Your Bubble.

Another idea suggested earlier is a Climate Change forum discussing how it is/will disproportionally affect older adults – what are we leaving our children? How older adults can contribute to a more wholesome planet – with macro or micro efforts.

Need to formulate forums in advance for 2023

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE:

Marty Blum reported that all board members will be contacted to determine interest in staying on board and whether or not they wish to run for re-election an officer.Names of board members will be drawn to determine terms – currently 13 directors.

We need new directors with diverse interests to represent interest groups not currently represented on the board.. Look to current membership for potential.

Nomination Committee: Marty Blum, Carol Keator, David Landecker, Lavid LeBell.

LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY:

No Report

ANNUAL MEETING:

January 25, 2023, 5PM by Zoom

It was suggested that Board members report on what GP will be working on in 2023 and ideas from the membership be solicited.

LIAISON REPORTS:

David JD will supply written report on the Environment Coalition

NEW BUSINESS:

None

NEXT MEETING:

December 16, 2022 11AM TBD

Respectfully submitted by,

Gail Marshall, Secretary