GRAY PANTHERS SANTA BARBARA NETWORK

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 26, 2022, 11AM

Home of Janet Wolf

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ron Alexander, Rich Appelbaum, Jo Black, Carol Keator, Sandy Kievman, David Landecker, David LeBell, Gail Marshall, Suzanne Peck, Janet Wolf

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Marty Blum, Jan Keller, Susan Rose, Richard Solomon

INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Board introductions

David Landecker joined the Environmental Coalition as Gray Panther member and will be reporting on those meetings.

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Adopted David Landecker/Susanne Peck

TREASURER’S REPORT:

$3,639.95 on hand

David noted temporary problem with online donations – problem fixed.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Jan Keller requested discussion on membership renewals and minimum amount to become a member. All Board Members are encouraged to renew with exception of new Members. Minimum renewal is $25 or whatever is affordable individually.

Website will remain as is.

Request to be relieved of developing and sending out forum notices – Ron Alexander will take over this responsibility.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

Heart Health Forum successful. Since it could not be recorded due to HIPPA requirements would like to repeat program with ability to record for website.

Interest in repeating program on senior scams at a later date. Interest in bringing Camille Hunter back to present “end of life issues” at a later date. Suggestion by Suzanne Peck to have a forum on “the wisdom of elders” – will work with Rich Appelbaum to bring this more positive program forward. Standing offer to use Direct Relief facility for an in person forum.

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POLICY COMMITTEE:

Endorsement policies and procedures being developed – discussion on Monday, February 28th .

Proposed policy/action – requirement that all elected bodies provide closed captioning of public hearings. Janet & Jo will draft letter to be send to the Counthy and all cities.

ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES:

Board declined to form new committees. Existing committees are Policy and Program. Interested public welcome to bring areas of interest to the attention of the board and can work independently.Does this accurately depict our decision??

GPSBN members to join likeminded organizations and report back to Board. Example: Env Coalition- David Landecker; Aging & Adult Network- Gail Marshall;

Pacific Pride – Ron Alexander; LEON – Jo Black; Sandy Kievman – Jewish Federation.

This should be a regular agenda item – “Member Reports”?

Zoomed meetings not appropriate for our group. However, minutes should be posted to website after approved – Minutes of January 26th ready for posting.

WEBSITE IMPROVEMENTS:

Carol reported website improvements developed by Jan Keller and Carol Keator

in Bettina’s queue. Requested ideas Bettina may have to replace our banner that better depicts older adults.

NEW BUSINESS:

David Landecker nominated Gail Marshall as Secretary.

Ron Alexander concerned about development behind Laguna Cottages – David Landecker will look into building process.

NEXT MEETING:

March 25, 2022, 11AM Janet Wolf’s

Respectfully submitted by,

Gail Marshall