



District 8 Community Round Table

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FROM 9-9-23

ATTENDEES: Pat Waite, Steve Bennette, Derek Grasty, Dan Gould, Sherry Gilmore, Sandra Randles, Janet Holt

- Discussion: Attendance down on Sept 7th general D8CRT meeting. Discussed communication enhancement possibilities:
 - Add Google Calendar button to meeting notices- Pat to check Mailchimp
 - increase frequency of meeting notices and follow up notices
 - Place standby meeting advertisement in EE Times- Pat
 - Check to see if EE Times has a subscription mail list- Janet
 - Check for clashing meetings
- Calendar
- October Meeting
 - Thursday October 5th: 7pm to 9pm Place ?
 - Senator Cortese, Supervisor Arenas. Ash Kalra is TBD – Pat to reach out. Possibly someone from Family and Homes to discuss Housing bills, efforts to pull back SB19 and Prop 13 changes.
 - Lt. William Winter: Civil Air Patrol, Eric Peterson: County Director of Airports:
- November Meeting
 - Thursday November 2nd 7pm to 9pm Place ?
 - Robert Reese – Director of Land use D8CRT
 - Ryan Ford – Ford Communications Owner: Mt Pleasant Golf Course development
 - AT&T
 - Bill Bellou- Editor Evergreen Times
- December Meeting – Holiday Event and Vote
 - Saturday Dec 2 from 10am to noon. Volunteer start time 8am. @ St Francis of Assisi Church 5111 San Felipe Road – San Jose
 - Discussion on Holiday Event
 - Efforts to save money: Make our own balloons, ELNA will host and pay for glitter tattoo table (saves \$375.00) no mocktails (saves \$80.00). Possibly eliminate Churro and Hot Chocolate vendor and serve donuts and hot chocolate from less expensive vendors. (Churros and hot chocolate were \$975.00 last year. Janet is waiting for Churro quote and will check on local donut places and possible hot chocolate carriers. Idea to offset churros costs by charging \$1 each.
 - Sherry and Janet will coordinate a day to teach volunteers to make twisty balloons.
 - Janet will reach out to Costco for a donation
 - Pat will reach out to Walmart for a donation
 - We have sponsor/donation request letters ready that can be updated, and hand delivered or sent out to potential donors. We need everyone's help on this please.

- January Meeting
 - Note date change from January 4 to January 11th due to New Year and holidays
 - EVC speaker: Sandy to reach out

- February
 - Note day and date change: Wednesday Feb 7 in Person (what time?)
 - 1 hour for Council forum
 - 1.5 hour for Mayor forum
 - moderator suggestions: Bob Nunes and or Scott Herold

- March Meeting TBD

- April Meeting
 - Thursday April 4th 7pm to 9pm
 - Larry Stone-County Assessor

- D8CRT Bylaw's Change Discussion
 - Officers serve up to (4) one-year terms (change from (2) one-year terms
 - Eliminate member dues and instead create a criterion for active membership consisting of meeting attendance, volunteer hours and donations
 - Dan asked who will be keeping records of volunteer hours, etc.-Pat said one person to be assigned.

- D8CRT is still looking for a Vice President. Please look amongst colleagues.

- Create an advertisement template for meeting notices for Nextdoor – Janet to work on draft.

- Pat asked Janet to reach out to Rosa and Patricia