

Robert Russell Eastern Star Masonic Center of Colorado, Inc
House of Delegates Meeting
November 19, 2011

Call to Order: Tammy Oldson, President at 10:30a.m. with a quorum.

Welcome & Introductions:

Present: Tammy Oldson, President; Karen Karns, Vice President; Randy Penn, Secretary; Gary Malara; Terry Hudson; Janet Nelson; Ashley Buss; Larry Lillo, Executive Director; Pati Sawyer-Boex and Janet Malara, Recording Secretary and delegate Collins #26.

Delegates and Guests: Lynne Brown-Jones, Grand Royal Matron, delegate Golden Queen #17 and Excelsior #66; David Ramsay, Grand Royal Patron, delegate Ute Pass # 188; Brent Skipper, Pueblo #7; Millicent Ramsey, Ruxton #10; Nancy Swope, Columbine #11; Jim Jarvis, Centennial #58; Nancy Frieberg, Unity #97 and Hope #122; Steve Hahn, PGP, South Gate #104 and South Gate #138; Bea Varney, Areme #124 and SVV; Margot Russow, Dawn #125; Judy Morrison, Mount Zion #133; Bette Leck, Loyalty #145; Lester Williams, Manitou #68; Robin Terry, PGM; and Sunny Hewitt.

Absent: Lynda Wingate and Rick Haskell

Invocation offered by Jim Jarvis

Approval of Agenda: With no additions/corrections, approved by Tammy Oldson.

Approval of September 21, 2011 Annual Meeting: Corrected by Janet Malara, minutes approved as corrected

Ridgeline Management Report – Larry Lillo

We had one move-in to the SVV and two move-outs from the AL keeping our occupancy at 90%. (48% from the Masonic Family) We are doing well, especially in light of the economy; we do have prospects who would like to come to the Home but first must sell their home, etc. The Staff continues to operate the community in a cost efficient manner without compromising the quality of care that each resident receives. The staff and nurses even dressed up for the Halloween Party so for sure the ESMRC is a fun place to be!!

Monthly staff training continues so the staff knows “what’s hot and what’s not”. A variety of topics are covered including “Violence in the Work Place” which was covered October 10.

Pati Sawyer-Boex

The residents enjoyed a variety of activities over the summer and great plans are in store for the remainder of the year.

The picnic was enjoyed by all this past August and plans are already being made for the picnic to be held the second Saturday in August, 2012. This next year we will have a character artist.

Bill Thomas dressed up as a Jimmy Buffet type Santa for the Christmas in July and McDonalds even **delivered** ice cream treats!

They took a bus to Firehouse where they brought donuts to the firemen.

They have taken beading and stamp pad classes.

Volunteers came to the Home so the residents could vote.

Lego Robots came and the residents loved them!!

We have 7 WWII Veterans so a very special Veterans Day Celebration was enjoyed.

The Bell Choir and a Senior Choir came to visit the Home.

Pati does keep the residents busy. Keep up on their activities through the website and join in the fun when you can; massages are being planned; the 90s Club will again have a birthday party for the four residents 90 years old or older. Of course, Pati will have cake and corsages for them at this special party.

Old Navy would like to work with Pati this next year to help tie-dye t-shirts for the residents for their picture. This will be a community project for them and profitable for us. Plus great fun for the residents!

The Home has two new residents who were up for adoption but delegates from both Pueblo #7 and Loyalty #145 quickly adopted them. Residents can have more than one Chapter/Lodge adopt them so if your Chapter/Lodge would like to adopt a particular resident don't hesitate. Oriental Lodge #2 will again be adopting the Home for the Holidays – is this something your Lodge/Chapter would like to do? There are Chapters already making plans at the Home so don't miss out.

The residents all love:

- Bronco games
- Chinese food
- Olive Garden
- Their trips to the Dollar Tree

Ice Cream
Visits from friends and family
Armchair travel videos
The tattoos they all got at the Halloween party!

The Rainbow Girls have done a tremendous job supporting the Home this year!! Their Shred-a-thon was a big success and they brought pizza and ice cream to the Home.

Worthy Grand Matron Mary Ann Gold Weidler and Worthy Grand Patron Charles Anderson had their Grand Family Reception at the Home. It was a big success with about 200-250 people attending.

Fun events to look forward to:

Tea in February
Shred-a-thon - 3rd Saturday in April
Car Show - 3rd Saturday in May
Golf Tournament – June 8, 2012

Committee Reports:

Financial Committee – Lynda Wingate’s report given by Tammy Oldson

Financials:

Income \$177,603 (99% of budget)	Expenses \$166,711 (100% of budget)	Net Operating Income \$10,583 (80% of budget)
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Balance of Investments as of October 31, 2011 was \$5,937,110.92

Wedbush Securities: Paper loss 5.35% for the month of October on our investments:

Compared to losses of	S&P of	10.77%
	NASDAQ	11.14%
	DOW	9.54%

Donations: \$690.00 Total

Fraternal Relations/Volunteer Committee – Terry Hudson

Terry thanked Pati for giving her report and her hard work with the residents on wonderful activities.

Long Range Planning Committee – Terry Hudson

There was no meeting but the committee will have a meeting the first part of the year with a report in February. Ridgeline will be included in our meeting.

New Business: None

Unfinished Business: None

Announcements:

Change to the 2012 Delegates Calendar: The August meeting will be held August 11, 2012, the second Saturday in August, before the picnic.

Our next meeting will be December 17, 2011

Note the highlights of the minutes below. This is to help for the delegate's report that should be given under Good of the Order in Chapter meetings. Of course, it is good to use your own words. Please don't just read the minutes!!

Meeting adjourned at 11:01.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Malara, Recording Secretary

Highlights of the meeting November 19, 2011:

Tammy Oldson was elected President of the Board of Trustees at the Annual Meeting in September. Along with the rest of the officers and members, she has jumped in and begun working for the future of the Home. The Home is doing very well with the staff continuing to operate in a cost efficient manner without compromising the quality of care each resident receives. We are at 90% occupancy. Pati Sawyer-Boex keeps the residents very busy with planned activities which she has the staff participate in. Some of the recent favorites have been: bead and stamp classes, Veterans Day Celebration, trips to the Dollar Store, dress-up Halloween Party, armchair travel videos, Bronco games and much, much more. Visit the website to get a better glimpse....or better yet, visit the Home and experience the fun for yourself. The residents love guests. Our next delegate meeting will December 17 and you all are invited to attend!