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**34th Annual Sunshine of the Spirit**

**High Desert Convention**

**“Trudging the Road of Happy Destiny”**

**Meeting Minutes**

**March 22, 2018**

**Action items in blue, person(s) responsible in red**

1. **Call to Order**

Melissa S, Committee Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. at the Victorville Holiday Inn with the Serenity Prayer led by Robert. Those in attendance: Carol W, Kim W, Linda K, Melissa S, Richard B, Robert P, Ruby M, Shelly J, Sue C, Becky B, Deborah H, Sandy B, Carl Mc, Mark C, Jennifer P, Liz J, Michelle J, Bill C, Sheri C, Angela J, Jim F, and Heather T. Ruby opened meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

**Approval of Minutes of February 22.** The minutes of the February 22, 2018 meeting were read. Deborah moved and Carol W. seconded that the minutes be accepted as corrected. The motion carried.

1. **Reports**
   1. **Chairperson/H & I –** Melissa S

Melissa S reported we are doing great! The H&I speaker has been confirmed for both 2018 and 2019. This years’ speaker with be Kelly B. from Santa Barbara. H&I will additionally donate ten registrations for newcomers.

* 1. **Co-Chairperson –** Carol W

The convention FB page is up and running. Carol asked to let her know if there is anything you would like to post.

* 1. **Treasurer –** Linda K (See Report) Shelly J motioned to accept the Treasurer’s Report, Sue seconded and motion carried.
  2. **Co-Treasurer** – Shelly J

Convention web page is up and run by Jim F. Jim is webmaster for High Desert Convention website. Motion carried by Jennifer P, and seconded by Angela to pay for registration and banquet ticket for Jim F. for his service to the convention. PayPal is ready, and 3 tablets are set up and working. Some discussion on who pays for the PayPal service charges. Carol motioned and Liz seconded to have convention absorb cost of PayPal service charges. Shelly reported she needs some power cords to run the electronics. Motion seconded and carried to allow for purchase of power cords.

* 1. **Secretary –** Sue C

Submitted receipt to Treasurer for reimbursement for copies. Reminder to add your name to sign in sheet as needed.

* 1. **Co-Secretary** – Angela J

Angela was elected as Co-Secretary.

* 1. **Registrar** – Kim W

Kim W mailed out registration forms to central offices.

* 1. **Co-Registrar** – Becky B

She is assisting Kim.

* 1. **Al-Anon Chairperson** – Thelma L

Not present. Consensus is that she is on track.

* 1. **Archivist** – Bill C.

After some explanation of the position, Bill C expressed interest in the position.

* 1. **Decorations/Speaker Host –** Liz J

Duran/Duran speaker declined. Angela will assist in obtaining Friday/Saturday speakers. Abel has secured Sunday Morning speaker. Some discussion on table decoration. Big boot vs. small boot. A prototype will be reviewed at next planning meeting for approval.

* 1. **Entertainment –** Jennifer P

Jennifer P submitted invoice for magic show for Saturday night. Comedian for Friday night will be reimbursed through Convention tickets which will come out of entertainment budget. Discussion on confirming PA system. The hotel will charge $300 for 2 systems. Robert reported he would do it for less. Motion carried and seconded to use Robert for the convention PA system needs.

* 1. **Golf Tournament** – David S and Richard B

David S was not present. Melissa reported tournament is at AV golf course. Golf and lunch is $50.

* 1. **GSR** – Lesliee A

Not present. Sue C. reported she will be here next meeting.

* 1. **Hospitality** – Ruby M

Some discussion on coffee availability. Ruby still needs confirmation on what items can be brought into hospitality room.

* 1. **Hostesses** – Michelle J and Sandy B

They requested clarification of what time slots needed covering for their volunteers.

* 1. **Hosts –** Carl

Carlhas confirmed eight volunteers so far for two-hour commitments. A request was made that men escort ladies to their cars as needed.

* 1. **Long Timers Meeting –** Abel C

Not present/no report. Bill C asked if refreshments would be served at long timer’s meeting.

* 1. **Marathon Meetings –** Deborah H.

Deborah reported that she has volunteers confirmed from Friday 5pm- midnite. Caitlan is still working on her part. A reminder that names and topics for each meeting will be needed by April meeting for printing.Deborah suggested name badges for her volunteers.

* 1. **Poker Run –** Abel C

Not present, no report.

* 1. **Printing** – Richard B

Richard brought registration forms for all to take back to their meetings. Reminder that he will need the names of all speakers and readers at April meeting as we will go to print mid-May.

* 1. **Public Information/Social Media** – Carol W.

Carol W. was voted in as Chair. Jennifer motioned and Angela seconded and carried.

* 1. **T-Shirts –** Jeff L and Deanna L.

Not present/no report. There has been a request for long sleeved shirts. Melissa will talk to Jeff. Logo is yet to be decided as well.

* 1. **50/50 –** Deanna L and Shelley M

Not present/no report. We are taking donations of baskets, gift cards, for 50/50 raffle.

1. **Old Business**
   1. **Fundraising.** Linda K**.** reported that Chipotle has available date of May 4. Richard reported that the pancake breakfast at Applebee’s is May 6. The group decided to just have one fundraiser at Applebee’s on May 6. **Flyer to come.**
2. **New Business**

There was no new business.

1. **Meeting Adjournment.**

There being no further business Melissa moved to adjourn the meeting, Sue seconded. The motion carried and the meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer led by Bill C.

1. **Next Meeting**: Thursday, April 26, 2018; 6:30 pm at Holiday Inn Victorville

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue C

2018 SOTS-HDC Committee

Secretary