

Social Committee Minutes
October 2, 2017

Members in attendance: Peggy Schulz, Peggy Strauss, Sissy Riley, Lois Schaffer, Karen Wartick, Linda Ems, Helen Dodds, Roland Tanner, Marie-France Ganansia, Mary Kay Owen, Janice Overdorff
Members absent: Judy Wakefield, Ann Redwine, Helen Jones, Ruth Brooks, Lorrie Washburn

The meeting was called to order. Reading of the minutes was not done because all members received them via email. Peggy Strauss made a correction brought to her attention by Sissy that during the discussion of the Holiday Party and the donation to the MCC Food Pantry, Lois had volunteered if need be that she and Mary Kay could bring the donated items to MCC as long someone there could unload them. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as corrected. Peggy Schulz mentioned that during our meetings we need to wait our turn to speak so that there was not a problem hearing what is said. We all agreed that this was necessary. Peggy also told us that she might not be available for the next few weeks due to a medical problem and we all will take over her various activities. We wish her well. Lois will be in charge of our next meeting.

Old Business

Out-to-Lunch – 33 people attended lunch at Nando's on 9/8/17 which were more than expected because many reservations were emailed to an incorrect address. However, Karen and Nando's handled the situation very well and everyone was pleased. We will make sure to check to see that the correct email and phone number are on the flyers to the members.

Events – Lorrie was not available to report on the Eddie Basha Art Collection, however Janice said that there were possibly 25+ attending and all found it very enjoyable.

New Business

Future Out-to-Lunch –The Oak Room is scheduled for 10/13/17. Peggy Strauss will be in charge of this and Roland will make mention on the flyer that there is a change in person to notify. Rigatony's is scheduled for 11/10/17 (Peggy Strauss). We have scheduled Midwestern Meats for 1/12/18.

Future Events –The tour of the Olive Mill is scheduled for 10/26/17 at 11:30 AM (Helen Dodds). Payment of \$7 needs to be sent to Helen by 10/19/17. Ten people are signed up so far. They want us there by 11:00 AM. Those who wish to carpool can meet at the Superstition Mall at 10:00 AM, to leave at 10:15 AM. This information will go out on the reminder flyer. The tour of the Sandra Day O'Connor house at Papago Park has been booked for 11/29/17 at 1:00 PM (Janice). It is limited to 30 people. The tour of the Historical Museum costs \$10 and this is located in the same parking lot. Eisendrath House is also nearby (1300 N College Ave, Tempe). We have decided to offer the tour of Sandra Day O'Connor's house and mention the two other options to visit for those who might be interested. Janice reported she still has not been able to get more information about the Windmill Winery in Florence which on Thursdays also has food trucks and entertainment. This is a possible event for January or February. Peggy Strauss contacted EVIT regarding tours of the campus sometime next year (possibly January or February). They can take up to 40 people on the tour which would cover several different school departments. We can decide on which ones we are interested in a little closer to the date. Linda still reported little success in speaking to the person in charge of a tour of the Amazon.com warehouse but will keep trying. Peggy Schulz reported that Helen Jones let her know she had contacted Tovrea Castle regarding a tour. This has been heavily requested by our membership. There is nothing available until

2019 and the tour is limited to 25 people. We will let Helen know to book it in 2019 and try to get two tours on different days to accommodate our members.

Holiday Party – Peggy Schulz let us know that the Windemere has been approved so we are set for site and entertainment. Janice has again offered us three quilts to raffle off (\$3 a ticket, four for \$10). At our next meeting we will delineate jobs for the day of the party. Peggy Strauss recommended that we have our new members take over some of the jobs so that they can become familiar with the process. Karen volunteered to make up small questionnaires to give to the attendees as they register which will ask them for preferences regarding future events and out-to-lunch spots. We will also ask if they might be interested in going to a buffet as a change of pace. As an incentive for them to fill out these questionnaires we will be offering a prize to one attendee which will be drawn from the filled out forms. Helen Jones will make up eight questions relating to the holidays, to be placed one at each place setting, which can be discussed around the table. This was an excellent ice-breaker last year. Sissy showed us a flyer from the MCC Food Pantry delineating what items are recommended for donation. Roland will include this with the flyer for the party which will go out on 11/13/17. Money will need to be received by 12/1/17 with checks made out to MCC and mailed to Lois. The cost has not changed from last year - \$20 for members and \$30 for guests. Lois still has place cards from last year. We will again give out poinsettias, one to a table. We will be making up the party favors at our next meeting and Peggy Schulz will make sure we have the room until 12:30 PM. Lois will get petty cash to buy the chocolates.

Our meeting was then adjourned.

Next Meeting – Monday, November 6, 2017, 9:30 AM, Mesa Public Library at 64 E. 1st St in the Boardroom on the second floor.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Strauss (Secretary)