

Helping Hands UP
Committee Meeting Minutes
May 24, 2023

The meeting, via Zoom, was called to order by Linda at 5:32 pm

Present: Linda Verrill, Mary Gathercole, Deborah Rosenfelt, Peggy Smith, Edmond Shenassa,

Guest: Malca Giblin

1. Review of February and April Minutes: Approved (no meeting was held in March)

2. Administrative

a. Member services from January to date have been minimal and discussion was held on increasing member and community awareness. (See newsletter discussion below.)

b. Gaggle Listserve: Peggy reviewed some increasing usage. Committee members were encouraged to post to stimulate conversations. The committee approved upgrading to a paid subscription for \$9.90 per month which retains all messages in a searchable archive.

c. Linda informed the committee that she found a local University Park resident who has agreed to be our new HHUP website web master.

d. Recruitment for HHUP Committee members was added to the agenda to be discussed further in June.

3. Recent and Upcoming Events

a. Potential 2023 Activities

i. and ii. Edmond advised the committee that he will finish the Aging in Place and Clarice activities research in about a week and report back to Linda.

iii. Fall Party planning: to be in July agenda.

iv. Seasonal Newsletter for HHUP: The committee discussed possible information to include (promotion of services, TAF, listserv, etc.) and decided to distribute the newsletter to all members and volunteers by USPS mail. Peggy volunteered to do a first draft for committee review at the next meeting.

b. Lunch Club: April (Silver Diner) and May (Three Brothers) Recap: Both locations provided excellent service and a large menu selection; and will remain on the rotation list. June location tentatively Riviera Tapas at their new location, to be arranged by Mary Love.

b. Corridor Conversations: Approved donation of \$250 from HHUP is being sent this week.

c. Conversational Spanish continues to be well attended. It was noted that most participants' skill level is above beginner.

4. Budget: University Park Council approved the 2024 town budget, including an HHUP line item.

5. Other Business: Linda noted that in previous years HHUP participated in the town July 4 parade.

6. The next meeting will be held June 28, 2023, 5:30-6:30

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Smith, Secretary