

# **Resident Participation Committee Meeting Minutes**

**December 14, 2018**

*Julia Hupperts*, Resident Council Coordinator, called the quarterly meeting of the Resident Participation Committee (RPC) to order at 10:00 a.m. Before making introductions, she introduced Joan Underwood, who is a volunteer in the P.C. office. Introductions followed.

She passed out copies of the Agenda, along with copies of what the RPC is tasked with. The RPC's purpose is to be financially responsible for the federal grant money received from HUD. Also handed out were copies of the Minutes from the last meeting held on September 21, which are posted on the Presidents Council webpage.

## **PRESIDENTS COUNCIL BUDGET UPDATE**

Julia handed out six pages of updates from a few days ago. Pages 1, 2 and 3 are updates of money that had been spent, along with income. Pages 4, 5 and 6 are the Budget that was actually approved, to be used for comparison. Julia stated the P.C. was in good shape financially.

She talked about income and the funding. She is in the process of getting the first half of the funding for this year, and she will advise Melissa Pappas, Treasurer, to send this out to the individual resident councils. The PHA has a new computer system and it's very important that we be precise in requesting funds. She anticipates that this will be completed this month. She gave updates on the expenses and went over each item individually, having discussion along the way. If later on there are any questions, email them to Julia Hupperts.

## **CHALLENGE GRANT**

We need to move on the Challenge Grant. Jon Gutzmann, PHA Executive Director, came to the P.C. meeting and said he was giving \$10,000.00 to the P.C. to share with hi-rise residents for health and wellness activities. Surveys were done at each hi-rise and it was discovered that it's very difficult in knowing how to spend this money in a fair and equitable way, which will benefit the health and wellness of *all* residents. She and Betsy Christensen have been trying to find less expensive resources to use for spending the Challenge Grant funds. Out of the \$10,000.00 Grant, each hi-rise received \$625.00, leaving \$200.00 in reserve for unforeseen expenses.

She referred everyone to copies of indoor and outdoor activities that could be put into place using that money, and she also received a lot of feedback from individual hi-rises. It was decided that each hi-rise would determine for themselves what sort of health and wellness activities they would use. She asked for feedback on what would be required for individual hi-rises to spend these funds; such as forming a committee or discussing it at council meetings. This should also be added to your council meeting Agendas and discussed at the meeting.

John Cardoza made a Motion that each individual hi-rise would decide how to use up to \$425.00 of the Challenge Grant. The Motion was seconded by Tim Gjerdahl, Ravoux and the Motion carried.

### **COMMUNITY SHARING CIRCLE UPDATE**

The P.C. decided that instead of giving stipends for attending the Community Sharing Circle (CSC) meetings, that money would be available for hi-rises to request reimbursements. This has been accepted very well by those who attend these meetings. It's working and it's doing quite well.

No further RPC business was discussed or conducted and the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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