

Minutes of the April 14, 2025 Outing group meeting FINAL

In Attendance were:

Dale Harris
Bubbles Lincicum
Cathy Hall
Ron Ture
Dennis Gilliam
Pam Brown
Ray Jackson
Dianna Jackson

Visitor Millie Rochester

The meeting was called to order by chairperson Dale Harris at 11:30. Millie Rochester was introduced as a prospective member. We all welcomed her and encouraged her to join us.

Dale shared an agenda in the form of a handout to each group member. The secretary did not keep a copy. It had four points to discuss. The secretary misplaced the handout. If it can re-created, I will amend the minutes to include the handout.

The minutes of the March meeting were reviewed and corrected. Secretary Jackson asked for clarifications of how the minutes are to be handled by her. The process was thoroughly discussed and hopefully the secretary will be able to remember everything! Dale reminded the secretary that the following steps should be taken:

Secretary sends out draft minutes labeled as such as soon after the meeting as possible (hopefully within a week).

Committee members read minutes and send any corrections or additions to the secretary, hopefully 3 to 5 days later)

Secretary creates the final minutes labeled as such to committee members. Secretary posts final version on the Resident Website

Bubbles gave the treasurer's report. As of the end of March, we had \$822.07. The only check issued was the remainder of the cost of the Blue Star bus company for the Evergreen trip. Because a number of people that signed up for the trip cancelled, Dennis had to get a smaller bus that resulted in a loss of money from our account. The more people that go, the less it costs. We did not figure that out and therefore charged too little because there were less than expected making the cost higher and we lost \$300. Our WV account was granted with the agreement that we would sustain it, not spend it. We will view further charges going forward to help make up our shortfall.

Old Business:

The Milwaukie Museum trip of 3/27/25 was a success. Twenty-one people signed up. Only twelve went on the trip. The trip had to be postponed because of weather and that might have added to the low turnout. Bubbles alerted us to the slideshow that is now on our web page. A shopping bus was used for transport. However, there were problems because the twenty-one number required the larger bus. The smaller bus could have been used if people who decided

not to go or couldn't go had notified Manor reception of their plan to cancel. A kerfuffle ensued unnecessarily. Apparently, people not notifying anyone of their intent to cancel has been an ongoing problem for a very long time. More discussion ensued on bus issues. Bubbles has decided to step back from trips with buses but she stated she would help committee members with bus issues in the future.. Everyone understood. Bubbles also announced the rare book tour is cancelled. It can be done in the future with someone else leading the effort.

Cathy Hall announced that the trip to the Museum of the Oregon Trail was a well received by attendees. Lunch was provided for free by Cathy herself.

Ray Jackson gave an update on the river trip. The jet boat idea was cancelled. The happy hour cruise will be planned by Ray in August. Ray will work with Pam Brown and/or Mary Socolofsky to learn the ins and outs of scheduling this event. He was also told to work with Brooke on scheduling a bus.

Dianna had nothing to report re: the Oregon Garden in the fall. It is still on the docket. Ron Ture suggested we carpool to the event since it will be an overnighiter. Dianna will pursue.

Elk Rock Garden tour is now scheduled for June 3 and will be lead by Cathy Hall. It will be a small group and our small WV bus will be used.

Dale Harris said the the Columbia River Gorge Discover Center and Museum tour has been temporarily dropped from the schedule. We may pursue it on a later date.

Bubbles reported that the Mt. Angel Abbey trip has been relegated to the back burner. David Heath, a former member, researched it and has information that will prove useful. He was going to lead the tour. It will require a chartered bus or carpooling. The committee will consider another date for this outing should we decide to proceed.

Ron Ture agreed to head up the Timberline tour in September. This brought up the bus arrangements again. During this discussion Pam Brown suggested that we should consider advertising two prices on our info sheets that are posted in the lower level of the Manor...one price for a small bus and one price for the big bus while explaining the reason for this which includes no-shows. Additionally some people are not cognitively able to go on these trips. They are often no-shows or they require caregivers and it is not fair to the other residents who paid good money and expect to have a good time to be saddled with trying to care for them. This is an aging in place issue that needs administrative attention: our committee cannot make a decision to cut off people from attending. Pam volunteered to bring up these issues to the resident council next month. It has been and continues to be a problem when planning transportation.

Ron made mention of carpools. There are forms to be signed limiting liabilities for WV as well as the driver of the auto. His snowshoeing group uses this for their outings. Perhaps we will consider this after Pam gives us feedback from her foray with management.

The next meeting will be held on the second Monday in May. May 13 at 11:30. Same time, same station (location). With that, Dale concluded the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianna Jackson, Secretary

