

St. Petersburg Civitan Club Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2024

Call to order

A meeting of the St. Petersburg Civitan Club Board of Directors was held at the Beach House at 18604 Gulf Blvd, Indian Shores FL on March 13th, 2024. Board members present were Jim Seymour, Jan Ward, Lauren Heckert, Norm Bungard, Barb Clark, Eddie Pringle, and Karen Galinowski. Pete Meydag was also present. The board opened the meeting with the abbreviated Civitan Motto. Norm Bungard opened the gathering with a prayer and revealed his personal enjoyment and first impressions of The Four Seasons, a set of four violin concertos composed by the renowned Italian classical musician, Antonio Vivaldi. Vivaldi, who had to leave his clerical duties due to health issues, crafted these melodies to evoke the changing seasons of our world. Norm believes that just as nature stirred Vivaldi to compose The Four Seasons, music has the power to inspire everyone.

Reports

President –The meeting was initiated by the Club President, Jim Seymour, who expressed his gratitude to the board members who graced the 38th Annual Police Award event of the St Petersburg Civitan Club. The event took place on March 8 at the St Petersburg Police Department. Officer Nicholas Fasanella, the honoree, showed his appreciation and the event saw a significant attendance. Jim proposed that a note of thanks be sent to Karen Ashcraft, a club member associated with Panera, for her generosity in providing lunch for all attendees. A handwritten note of thanks from the board would be dispatched by Barb Clark.

Jim updated the board about the Indian Shores' St Patrick's Day Festival at Indian Shores Town Hall, which is slated for March 16. He mentioned that the club was given a complimentary space to establish a booth. Jim committed to erecting a tent and table and staffing the booth himself. He plans to distribute brochures and share information about the St Petersburg Civitan Club with the attendees, with the aim of recruiting new members.

Jim also shared with the board that he is in the process of organizing a fundraising event in collaboration with Civitan International and Top Golf, a driving range company located in St Petersburg. The St Petersburg Civitan Club is privileged to be one of only four clubs selected by Civitan International to take part in this pilot program. The fundraiser is planned for a date in May, and Jim mentioned that there is already a buzz of interest among people who wish to participate in the event. A donation of \$175 is suggested and the event is limited to 18 golfers.

Secretary – We now have fifty-three members. Barb presented each board member with a keychain that had the Civitan name and the club's web address imprinted on it. The board previously approved via email the acquisition of 200 keychains, a move intended to boost visibility of the Civitan Club. Every new member will receive this keychain, which will be attached to the Beach House key upon their membership. Existing members are also eligible to receive a keychain plus keychains may be utilized for promotional activities as well.

Treasurer – The balance in the account is \$15,930.78. A February deposit of \$192 for Carrigan dues, a deposit of \$6.85 was a transfer from the Foundation for Knox box hardware for Pinellas Suncoast Fire Dept box installation with a corresponding credit card charge of \$6.85. February checks of \$47.06 written to Jim Seymour and \$302.94 to Barb Clark for reimbursement of expenses for the Four Chaplains event. March deposit of \$5.34 was transfer from Foundation for a barrel bolt with a corresponding credit card charge of \$5.34. An additional March deposit of \$146.69 for Suzanne Daniels' membership dues. A March check of \$316 for 200 imprinted keychains.

Open Discussion

Motions

There was a motion to accept the February meeting minutes that passed with 7 YES votes and 0 NO votes.

There was a motion to accept the Secretary's Report that passed with 7 YES votes and 0 NO votes.

There was a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report that passed with 7 YES votes and 0 NO votes.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting with 7 YES votes and 0 NO votes.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:10pm.

The next meeting will be April 10, 2024, at 3:00pm at the Beach House. The Business Meeting is open to Club and Foundation Board members.

Secretary – Barbara Clark

Approval Date:

