

POA Membership Meeting Tuesday, January 16, 2018

The meeting was called to order by the President, Cliff Weiner, at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence to remember those who served to keep us safe.

Cliff presented Elaine with a Distinguished Service Award for her dedication to the mission of the POA. Attendees joined in thanking her for her work in managing the POA as well as serving as Bulletin Editor. Thank-you Elaine.

Roll call showed all board members present with the exception of Sal and Susan, both excused.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved as read.

The Treasurer reported receipts in December 2017 were \$37,431; expenses \$21,605; operating cash \$15,827; giving us operating funds of \$156,749. We thank members for using our on-line service to sign up where you can also join for up to 3 years.

The Membership chairman thanked attendees for joining the POA reminding them if they need us, feel free to call on us.

At the back tables were volunteers from Seniors v Crime and SHINE.

The SHINE report reminded attendees that new Medicare cards will be distributed starting in April 2018. Beneficiaries are warned that laminating their new card could distort the ten digit number, so it is not recommended.

The cash raffle made three lucky winners \$30 richer.

Cliff reminded attendees that as the POA grows we need additional board members. Anyone interested please contact him.

Open Forum_ the time we open our mics to hear from Villagers:

Traffic continues to be an issue. Will the new long term care facility on #466 complicate traffic?

Speaker – Melissa Baldwin of Waste Management provided an informational presentation on “Recycling Right”. Recycling is specific to each recycler as their process depends on what they accept to be recycled. Here in the Villages Waste Management can accept aluminum, plastic and paper. It does not include items such as batteries, medicines, paint, old furniture, or clothing. One needs to find other ways to recycle those items. Items for Waste Management are to be placed in a clear plastic bag and placed with your regular trash on the recycling day in your neighborhood. Their rule of thumb is if in doubt throw it out. Who would have thought it was so complicated. Now we know the rules. Melissa answered many questions from attendees.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Carolyn Reichel, Secretary