



MEETING MINUTES
RCRV BOARD OF DIRECTORS

February 21, 2018

Horizons

ATTENDEES:

(Bold underline indicates presence)

RCRV Board:

R. Clark, J Green, D. Grimm, V. Jackson, **J. Klein**, J. Knight, D. **Knuth**, **T. Lamb**, **R. Lenth**, **R. Ocken**, **K. Paulson**, **S. Schroeder**, **J. Spencer**, **K. Sutherland**, **J. Wells**, C. Wehage, **M. Wilson**, **P. White**, **E. Cepeda**
(RC / RCRV interface Rep)

Community Service Agency Members:

Lindsay Glynn - Aging Services; Jessica Link – Cedar Rapids Public Library; **Kathy Waychoff - College Community Schools**; **Ann Griffin - Grant Wood AEA**; Melissa Adams - Heritage Agency on Aging; Sherita Jenkins – Horizons; Karla Terry - Linn Mar Schools; **Wayne Clayton - Options of Linn County**; Brian Keith - Red Cross; Jenna Satzbrenner - Salvation Army; **Carole Dzingle - United Way**; Angie Ehle - WRAP

Guests:

Shawna Burkhardt – Rockwell Collins; Laura White – RCRV; Rick Young – Help Portraits

GENERAL MEETING

Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Keith Sutherland and he had the attendees introduce their selves.

Program:

Rich Young is one of the leaders of the local Help Portraits organization that helps needy families get a formal portrait each year. This is a worldwide organization active in 63 countries. The Chapter in Cedar Rapids is in its 6th year of operation and helped over 400 families get portraits in 2017.

The organization recruits local families who do not have the means to get photos of their family. Help Portraits works with other nonprofits to identify the individuals who would benefit from the photos. This includes such individuals as homeless, high school seniors, senior citizens, veterans and immigrants.

Each person who has a photo taken gets a free framed 8X10 Photo, 4—4X5 photos and a USB drive with a photo set on them.

Help Portraits needs a lot of volunteers (150) each year to take care of the 2700 families and individuals involved in the program.

- Registration
- Photographers
- Photo editors (largest need)
- Family guides
- Food Services
- Recruiting through local nonprofits.

There is a need for donations of cash and food. Each photo takes about 2 hours. The planning for this year will start on October 1st. Anyone with an interest can contact gcrhelpportrait.com Keith Sutherland at Sutherlandkeith@riparian.us , Rich Young or one of the RCRV officers.

Partner Agency Reports:

- Ann Griffin, Grant Wood AEA, would like to get a copy of the big ball thrower to get someone else to produce more. Terry Lamb agreed to contact Jack Murphy on the subject. We will put the need for repair and need for new items construction on the website. Contact Ann at 319-389-4049 if you can help.
- Kathy Waycoff, Prairie HS commented on the continuing construction on the campus, but all programs are continuing despite this disruption. The VIP reading program is starting. There is still a need for volunteers in this program.
- Wayne Clayton, Options of Linn County, commented on it being the 2nd year of the raised gardens and that is going well.
- Kayla Paulson is working on the May Volunteer Breakfast meeting. She is also trying to get a discount card from local businesses available. She would be happy if anyone who knows of an appropriate business to recommend for such a card would contact her. At last count there were 169 active RCRV volunteers with 103 reporting time accumulating 23,366 Hours. See the attached report.

New Business:

- Keith Sutherland - With the advent of United Technologies merger with Rockwell Collins, it may mean a change of names for RCRV. This doesn't need to be addressed now, but it may be an item in the future to address.
- Barry Buelow has indicated that anyone interested in being a part of the Collins Retirement Association would welcome new retirees to the four educational and social meetings held each year. Contact Barry at Barry.buelow@gmail.com

BUSINESS MEETING

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes

Dave Knuth moved and Jim Spencer seconded a motion to approve the January RCRV meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Rockwell Collins Report

E. Cepeda is the Rockwell Collins representative to RCRV now. She introduced Shawna Burkhardt who is involved in the RC grant programs and may interface with RCRV when she is not available.

Committee Reports

- Community Projects: Chuck Wehage – no report
- Communications: Bob Ocken reported that he is still looking for newsletter stories and any that people might have should be forwarded to him. The stories can be short and need to be of general interest to retirees.
- Membership Retention: Kayla Paulson provided the attached report
- Recruiting: Joe Knight is continuing to look at ways to entice more retirees to join RCRV and to get a better match of tasks with a retiree. We haven't sent out any letters or contacted new retirees for quite awhile and may be missing out on a chance to get them involved.
- Data Base: Jim Klein has the data base in hand.

Adjourn Meeting.

Next RCRV Board Meeting will be March 21, 2018 at Aging Services with Lindsay Glynn as a speaker

Terry Lamb, Secretary

55+ Initiative & United Way

UWECI is really looking at how to connect with companies and their active employees whom are 55 and better. If you have a friend, sibling, or children that are engaged in their company's HR or an employee resource group which may be interested in getting engaged with volunteer opportunities please connect them with myself, Kayla.Paulson@uweci.org or 319.398.5372 x837.

Invest 10 to 15 minutes of your time to help shape volunteer engagement strategies and practices for boomers and/or retirees. UWECI has partnered with Coe College to conduct a survey to provide insight into the motivations, interests and opportunities for individuals that are 55 and better. Take the survey today by going to surveymonkey.com/r/RCRVSurvey.

In 2018 United Way's 55+ Initiative is excited to launch a Facebook group to connect community members with other like-minded volunteers. Individuals will not need to be 55+ Initiative Members. We will also not be screening based on age, but the content will be upcoming educational and volunteer events, volunteer features, agency spotlights, etc.

RCRV Membership Recruiting/Retention Report

RCRV offers Onboarding and Orientations on an as needed basis. If you know a fellow retiree that is interested in joining, please have them contact Kayla Paulson at 319.398.5372 x 837 or KPaulson@uweci.org.

If you are interested in helping with RCRV recruitment or promoting RCRV among your social networks please contact me at Kayla.Paulson@uweci.org.

Stats for December 2017

- 171 active volunteers
- 0 new volunteers
- 0 inactivated volunteer restarted
- 0 inactive volunteers terminated/inactivated
- 45 members have reported hours
- 1142.96 hours

	2017	2016	2015
Active Vols.	171	179	202
New Vols.	2	6	7
Restarted Vols.	1	2	5
Terminated Vols.	13	29	2
Members Reporting	103	117	154
Hours	23,466.40	20,609.71	32,862.37
Recruitment Mailings	0	1	4