

# **Gwinnett Senior Golden Games**

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **September 20, 2010**

Welcome Everyone! This is the first meeting of our new year for our 2011 senior games. We are so pleased to see such a good attendance.

Bob said the invocation and led us in the pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

The minutes from the June meeting were read and approved and Chris gave the treasurer's report. He was happy to report we will be starting the year with a balance of \$17,000. Also, we had a visitor, Brad Askew, from Humana, that is interested in becoming our National Sponsor. We will need to hear more about it in future meetings. It was nice to see another new guest, Mike Marshall, interested in joining our games.

Our senior games will begin April 13th and end May 25, 2011. They will be 6 weeks long. 2011 will also be an election year. If you are interested in running for office, please give Bob your name and the position you would like to hold.

We are also interested in what event managers will be returning. We hope it will be all, for everyone did such a good job last year. Please sign the tablet at the head table.

Another topic we discussed was where will the opening and closing meetings be: Rhodes Jordan or Bethesda Center? The board voted and 2 wanted to come back to Bethesda and 4 voted for Rhodes Jordan. We are hoping to grow and therefore we wanted a larger place. Otherwise we would have had to limit the attendance to 275.

Next we discussed the booklets. We are wasting too much postage mailing out the booklets. Susie suggested and showed us a sample of just sheets of paper announcing the event, which we thought was a very good idea and would cut the postage in half.

Another suggestion was to download an application on the internet. But not too many people liked that ideal because not everyone is familiar with the internet or owns a computer. Another idea was sending out postcards, also advertising in church bulletins. But if we don't mail the information out to the people, we may lose a lot of attendees.

We need more advertising, especially if we don't mail the registration form. Robin said she would look into how to get into the different publications within the county. John Register said he would provide some names, etc.

We could cut expenses in other ways. Like, for instance, the gift. Doug suggested a 50/50 lottery. Those that want to contribute a dollar has a chance to win part of the 50%

There was an open discussion on t-shirts. All who spoke up wanted to keep them. A suggestion was made to add our web address to the printing. We will look into the cost.

Discussion regarding meals indicated that all liked the hot meal for Opening and sandwiches for Closing. Eileen will try to contact last year's caterer.

Eileen explained how she sends out letters requesting donations which she will do this December.

She asked if anyone wanted a letter sent to let her know.

Bob asked if we wanted the new sports added to our games. Doug made a motion to add them and Chris seconded it. So we will now have Disc Golf and Croquet. Also, did we want evening games? Pat Harney suggested maybe a couple of events with no medals similar to last years croquet to see how many attended.

#### OCTOBER EVENTS YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS.

1. Delmar Gardens Fun Day, Oct 7th Call to register since they are providing lunch.
2. Health Fair at Bethesda, Oct 29th
3. Hall County, one day only, Senior Games Oct 26th

Meet your friends for lunch at Garden Plaza on Oct 20th.

The proceeds from your lunch provides funding for various programs that help seniors living in Gwinnett County such as "meals on wheels" transportation & in home care.

Cost \$15 for your delicious Outback lunch : deliciously seasoned steak sirloin fall-off-the bone baby back ribs, garlic mashed potatoes, fresh seasonal veggies plus beverages and yummy desserts! Call NOW 770-280-2176 or 404-425-2470 WANDA DUKES

There was no more business to discuss so the meeting was adjourned.

Sincerely,

Marie Hickman, Secretary