

FOR Parks Meeting Minutes, May 4, 2026 6:04 Fireside Room @ Oval

Attendees: Alicia, Debby, Jessica, Jill, Jodi, Karen, Kori, Kristen, Linda, Maria, Midge, Nancy, Robin

NA: Chelsea (resigned), Holly, Laura, Leslie, Mary, Sara

Secretary's Report (Secretary TBD)

- Approve April Meeting Minutes 14-0
- Correspondence - *none at meeting time but sent card to Member Ramona Mogg for her husband George Krienke in May*
- *Chelsea Brandt resigned from the board. Will still do FOR Parks taxes.*

Treasurer's Report

- Review April report (Kori) – *reviewed current balances & donations. The large stock donation is now sitting in a mutual fund at RBC.*

Membership Report

- Updates (Nancy) – *2 new members joined, 42 not renewed yet – sending notices. Will remove from membership after 2 years of non-payment.*
- *Nancy is going to redo the format of the membership form the square pad to the 3 fold sheet. Fits in brochure holder & "join" form can be torn off.*
- *Reviewed options for permanent Name badges for Board Members – Nancy to order.*

Fundraising Projects

- Report on 4/18/26 Handbag Bingo (Linda) – *Net \$3209 – fun group. Nancy's video looked great. In future do we want to mix it up and have other prizes – simple change like backpack/shoulder bag – or completely different golf clubs, etc. Few men attend – do we want to target them or stick with geared towards women?*
- Tapped & Uncorked (Debby) – *McGough donated \$1000 for 2026 and said to reach back out in 2027*

Other Business

- Report of Friends Group Leadership Summit Meeting (Kori) –
 - *FOR Parks, Friends of Oval and Friends of Central Park met. We are only board with "members" – others just have donors. They do not fundraise.*
 - *Discussed if there are things that overlap & can share across groups*
 - *All groups having issues with board membership – getting new/younger members & volunteers.*
 - *Should we all merge into one group? Did not sound like anyone interested.*
- Social Media (Maria) – *Laura's Park video with her sister has over 1,000 views!*
- Rosefest Parade (Nancy) – *Decision on "Giveaways". Discussed Fans, Custom flower seed packets but expensive. Going with Fun stickers (Alicia & Kristen teaming up). We will not be carrying signs – Just our banner – everyone to wear green shirts.*
- Planting Day 5/30 (Debby) – *Attending: Mary, Nancy, Laura, Jill, Midge (Debby to come later). Ordered generic Flower seed packets & adding our own Logo sticker to be given out when volunteers check-in. Leftovers can be given to adults in the Parade.*
- Autumn Grove \$13K Donation – *Jill checking with RPR on plans. Tied into overall city decision on new bench vendor, costs, locations needed and Autumn Grove redesign. Plan to redevelop Fall 26, move playground, etc. Community mtg 5/13 6:30 at Autumn Grove.*
- Pickleball discussion – *Maria did some research and attended a recent event that was "Open Play" and a silent Auction vs a tournament. Possibly in Sep since not doing T&U? Players pay \$20 each to play. Community event – all ages/levels. Would take some planning but not nearly as much as a tournament. Silent auction could cover the other types of prizes discussed for bingo (Golf, Pickleball basket, etc.)*

Adjourn 7:22 pm