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Dreamland Villa Retirement Community
Board of Directors Study Session
February 3, 5:30 PM, Read Hall

Welcome: Pat Clark, President

General Announcements: Pancake Breakfast 2/7 @ 7:30-9 am Read Hall, DVRC Board Elections 2/10 @ 8 am-7 pm Computer Room (R9), Health & Lifestyle Expo 2/12 @ 9:30 am-11:30 am Read Hall, Organ Stop Pizza 2/19 @ 10:30 am \$10.75 per person pay at the door, Little Mesa Café Dine to Donate 20% every Tuesday from 3 pm-8 pm. Flyers are being taken from the bulletin boards. Please don't do that. The office staff maintains the bulletin boards.

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order: Pat Clark, President

Roll Call: Karolyn Grafton, Interim Secretary. **Directors:** Pat Clark, Joyce Canino, Bob Westall, Dave Warren, Beth White, John Pawloski, and Karolyn Grafton. All present.

ITEMS DISCUSSED:

Membership Renewals: 967 current Memberships as of this date, February 3, 2026.

Hardship Fund: It has been suggested that DVRC start a Hardship Fund Committee. However, there are no current funds. It was discussed as to whether we should reinitiate it or disband it. Reinitiating would require a Committee and a Committee Chair. Discussion included: How & who would manage it, and the selection process. We have a monthly payment plan. Some members have made donations to the Hardship Fund. Should they receive help with the extra above the raise in membership fee? Some members have paid for people anonymously. If you wish to donate, do so through the DVRC office. Whether or not to initiate a Hardship Committee will be voted on at the next DVRC Board Meeting.

Discuss Budget: On 1-31-2024, we had \$265,753 from fees. In 2025, \$244,339, and in 2026, \$238,962. We have 82 members on monthly payment plans. The Membership Committee is making plans to canvas the neighborhood door-to-door. Our budget was contingent on 1100 members. We have fallen short of that, so the Treasurer will have to go back to the Budget & Finance committee to develop a new budget.

Upcoming Elections: DVRC Board elections will be held 2/10, @ 8 am-7 pm in the computer room (R9). Members must have their Kee card to vote.

IT Proposals: Brandon Leal, IT technician, has given two proposals for monthly support. The Board Directors will study them and vote on which to choose at the next Board Meeting.

Club activities: Club monitors are to bring a list of their members to the office and check if they have paid their fees. Only paid members can participate in club activities. If they live outside of DVRC but wish to participate, they can become a sponsored associate member.

Ceramic incident: The main monitor of Ceramics has withdrawn as monitor. There will be no ceramics until we find a replacement. Four applications have been turned in. Beth and the former

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Read Hall monitor will select from the applicants. However, the four so far practice a form of ceramics that requires a wheel or greenware. We do not have room for a wheel.

Committees: Still looking for a Compliance Officer, Nature Trail Chair, Neighborhood Watch Chair, and Welcome Committee Chair. Pat contacted someone for the Welcome Committee. They are out of town right now.

Banner Request from Read Hall Church: Pastor Mike Perrotta from the Christ in Fellowship Church, who rents Read Hall on Sundays, submitted a request to hang a banner with our events banners on the West side of Read Hall's parking lot. He would put his up & down as needed for DVRC events. He is willing to pay a nominal fee. There is room for two banners. We will vote at the next board meeting to charge Christ in Fellowship \$30.

Roof: Board members have been given a copy of the roof bids to study. At the next Board Meeting, Rick will be asked for his advice. The matter will then be voted on.

Liaison: Dr. Annette Padilla, a member of our community, has offered to act as Liaison between DVRC and the county and city of Mesa, for a couple of hours per month. In the past, she has helped us in our cleanup efforts in Dreamland. She could make us aware of things happening in Mesa that would affect us, like the water rates, which are going up and will impact us, and arrange for speakers. Her background is in local & county government, code enforcement, homeless, trash, etc. We will vote on this at the Board Meeting.

Basic Life Support Workshop: Pauline Borgen has worked with Rural Metro to set up a couple of workshops. 3/25 in Read Hall at 11:00, the topics will be Basic Life Support, Hands-only CPR, and AED (Automated External Defibrillator). On 4/22 in Read Hall @ 11:00, Fire Extinguisher Training.

Adjourned: 6:24 pm
Submitted by: Karolyn Grafton, Interim Secretary

Open Forum:
Three speakers signed up and spoke