

Highland Fling Meeting
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Attending

Robin Wise	Stephanie Thiel	Shauna Larsen
Donna Cardon	Heather Jensen	Charlie Greenland
Doug Courtney	Suzanne Mann	Cary Wise
Brandon Balkman		

Call to Order: 6:05 pm

Approval of the minutes for March 15, 2023 meeting
Moved by Cary Wise, Second by Shauna Larsen

Robin passed out pages from the Fling magazine 2022 and copies of website pages for each event.

She asked those attending to look over the documents and note needed changes in the new magazine and updated website pages.

Robin mentioned that they had not yet chosen a Grand Marshall, but they had received 3 nominations.

Robin mentioned “exciting news” that the other cities in Utah County had agreed to allow the Highland Rodeo Queens to appear in their city parades over the summer.

Stephanie pointed out that the Baby Event and the Water Spray event were scheduled in overlapping time frames. She was worried they would attract some of the same patrons and should probably be held in non-conflicting times. There was some conversation on the topic between Robin, Suzanne and Stephanie. It was mentioned that it would be difficult to change the water event since the Fire Department had already been scheduled. It was decided that since they only overlap one hour, someone could attend one and then attend the other.

Robin asked who in the group would need a cooler for their event. The only one who needed one was Stephanie.

Robin mentioned that they still needed someone to organize the pickleball tournament. Yulanda Buehler had been recommended at the last meeting, but Robin had not been able to contact her. Suzanne recommended her neighbor Lorna who has a pickleball court in her back yard and might be willing. Robin said it wouldn't be a difficult event and could just be a fun day without real competition.

Robin mentioned that she wanted to send thank-you cards to all the volunteers for the Fling. She asked everyone for a count of how many volunteers, outside of the Youth Council, they were using.

Shauna: 10

Charlie: 2

Stephanie: just her and her husband

Suzanne: 4

Brandon: 1 plus three from Youth council

Heather: most of her volunteers were from the DUP club so she just needed 1

Doug: He expected 42 volunteers and 50-60 entries into the parade. Doug said he would make thankyou letters to the entries, but he needs the Mayor to sign them

Donna: Only youth council volunteers

Robin mentioned that the teen Band competition was not going to happen.

Robin mentioned there would be the "Glow Run" on Friday night.

Robin mentioned that the port-a-potties were in the works for the parade. She asked Dough where they should be. He suggested against the fence between the school playfield and the road by the cemetery on the north side.

She asked Stephanie if she needed port-a-potties for the water event. There was some discussion as to whether the junior high would let them use the ones in the building. Then Donna reminded them that the new park would have bathrooms, and that there were bathrooms at heritage park.

Robin asked when the library needed volunteers to arrive on the Kids Day. Donna suggested 3:00

Robin mentioned that they wanted to do a Tabatha's way collection the day of the Kid's party. She and Donna discussed where the collection bins might be placed. They decided it would be best to place them by one of the entries to the splash pad.

Robin mentioned that they were still looking for a docent for the backyard tours, someone who knew plants. Donna suggested one of her employees, Calli, also worked as a gardener and she or her husband might be willing to do it. Doug suggested asking the Highland Gardens, and Rachel suggested Thanksgiving point might have someone who might do it. Robin mentioned that they were also looking for a face painter for that event. Donna said there were several on her staff that could face paint and said she would ask them if any were willing to help.

Robin asked about registration for the Baby Event. Suzanne said they limit it to 20 registrants.

Stephanie asked about access to water for the water event. It is 200 yards to the nearest spigot. Could they hook something up to the sprinkler system? Stephanie also asked what outdoor games the city owned that they could use. Robin said they had the tall connect 4 game, plus parachutes. Stephanie asked if they could draw with chalk on the cement. Robin said she had leftover sidewalk chalk Stephanie could use.

Robin asked how many prizes each group needed. In the past they had gotten Chick Fila coupon. They had also made up goodie cups for participants of some events. How many goodie cups were needed?

Shauna:40

Stephanie: none

Suzanne: 20

Brandon: there were 200 participants, but he wasn't sure if they all needed goodie cups

Heather: 20

Doug: 16 swag cups for the kids carrying signs and for the cleanup crew

There was an extended discussion with Brandon about how many prizes the Frisby golf needed. He said there are 30 different categories, with a first, second, and third prize for each.

Robin mentioned that someone had already brought in a check from the parade, but she didn't know who it was from or what it was for. Donna suggested she talk to Candice since they keep notes on all incoming payments.

Robin asked Doug if the parade issued prizes. Doug said no, except for the honor of having the banner appear before the winning entry.

Robin asked Doug about safety measures in response to the child that was killed during a parade last year. She said some cities were not throwing candy any more because of safety issues. Doug pointed out that the child that was killed was not related to throwing candy. The child fell out of a float and then was run over. He outlined the safety policies in place for the parade. Robin asked him to write them up so she could include them in the Fling magazine.

Robin explained the passports incentive that was used to encourage people to attend the smaller events. She asked if they should use stamps to stickers to verify attendance at an event. She also asked what kind of prize should be offered to the winner of the passport drawing. She suggested that Cabella's might offer a Traeger grill. Those in attendance thought that would be an ample reward. Shauna suggested that that someone on the arts council might offer a quilt. There was discussion about whether a donated quilt would be better used as some other award.

Robin talked about the plan for the Kickoff party. Larry Walker was doing a Dutch oven class and dinner. There will be a pie baking contest and a fundraiser for the Mountain Ridge Park. Could the quilt be donated to be auctioned off at the fundraiser?

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Minutes taken by Donna Cardon