# HEART 201 Meeting Minutes

# May 6, 2021 | 6:30 PM | Google Meet Video Call

201

Type of meeting

Facilitator

Annual Rob Wright

### **Board Members**

Rob Wright (President), Brian Moretti (Vice President), Carol Prussman (Treasurer), Sandy Booth (Director of Communications), Mike Mandell (Director of Responders), Bill Betourne (Director of AED Maintenance), Peg Betourne (Secretary)

# Others Present

[Attendees]

# TOPICS

# **Topic 1** Club Business

Due to social distancing amid the COVID-19 pandemic, a Google Meet video conference call was held in lieu of a face-to-face meeting. The Board had postponed the annual meeting, typically held in February, until this meeting.

Minutes from the February 2021 meeting were approved by the board. Minutes are posted on the Dunedin AED website (<u>link</u>).

Carol Prussman presented the quarterly Treasurer's report. Checking account balance as of 2/4/21 was \$4,649.70. We had one deposit for \$50 from a new resident, so the new balance is \$4,699.70. The savings account balance was \$1,482.74 and with interest of \$.18, the current balance is \$1,482.92. The combined total is \$6,182.62.

Rob Wright reiterated that there are ample funds in the accounts, and therefore no fundraising efforts are expected in 2021.

# **Topic 2** Annual Reports

# Treasurer's Annual Report

Carol Prussman had presented the annual Treasurer's report at the February meeting. For consistency with annual meeting agenda items, it is attached to these annual meeting minutes.



#### President's Annual Report

Rob Wright presented the proposed budget for 2021:

\$400 - transfer from checking to savings for depreciation of assets.

\$864 - to Ready Alert for 16 households. Note: The current cost is \$756 for 14 households.

<u>\$120 – misc. administration costs</u>

\$1,384.00 - total proposed budget

#### Vice President's Annual Report

Brian Moretti provided the current list of block captains.

Badger Street - Jo Villyard Castlewood Lane - Penny Champagne Nation Court - Ray Horbert Ivawood Way - Jim Monahan & Dale Hauschel Nomad Terrace - Jay Sampson Yates Avenue - George Wood O'Brien Place - Ben Solotoroff

The total number of homes (on the seven streets listed above) serviced by HEART 201 is 106.

#### Director of AED Maintenance Annual Report

Bill Betourne reported the batteries and pads have been replaced within the last couple years and the AED units appear to be in good working order.

Note: Batteries were replaced in January, 2020 per minutes from 2/20/20 meeting and pads were replaced in March, 2019 per minutes from 5/19/19 meeting. The new expiration date for batteries is January 2024.

#### Director of AED Responders Annual Report

Director of Responders Mike Mandell reiterated that he has contacted the responders about the packets of gloves and masks he made up for them. To date, only one responder has come to pick up a packet.

No new training sessions are planned yet. Mike will contact all responders again to recommend one on one training. He will also ask if they are still interested in and capable of continuing as responders. Mike will report back at the next meeting.

Although the governor is expected to lift the mask mandate on 7/1/21, Mike wants responders to continue wearing masks when responding.

Mike will provide a current list of responders.

**Conclusion**: Mike will provide Peg a current list of responders for inclusion in the annual meeting minutes. The board approved the annual budget, and the February meeting minutes



#### **Topic 3** Annual Elections

The two board positions due for election in 2021 are Director of Responders (incumbent Mike Mandell) and Secretary (incumbent Peg Betourne).

Note: Director of Communications Sandy Booth had sent out an email to all Dunedin 201 residents asking them to consider being a part of their AED group, HEART 201, and specifically asking them to consider serving in either of these two board positions. When no replies were forthcoming, Rob Wright recommended the incumbents Mike Mandell and Peg Betourne be retained in their respective positions.

Rob Wright motioned for Mike and Peg to be re-elected to their current positions. The motion passed and the candidates were unceremoniously elected by the unanimous vote of all members present.

Note: To ensure continuity of the AED program, board members are elected to staggered terms, which began in 2020 as shown below. All subsequent elections are for 3-year terms.

- Secretary and Director of Responders elected to 1-year terms (due for re-election in 2021, 2024, 2027, etc.)
- Treasurer and Director of Maintenance elected to 2-year terms (due for re-election in 2022, 2025, 2028, etc.)
- President, Vice President and Director of Communications elected to 3-year terms (due for reelection in 2023, 2026, 2029, etc.)

**Conclusion**: Mike Mandell elected to a 3-year term as Director of Responders. Peg Betourne elected to 3-year term as Secretary.

#### **Topic 3** Annual Review of Bylaws

The following proposed changes to the bylaws were discussed.

Article 4, Section 2: Add item to discuss any proposed revisions to the bylaws. Revise item #5 to election of board members "with expiring terms".

Article 5, Section 1: Add the year each board position is due for election. Also, strike the word "club" and replace with "organization".

Article 5, Section 3: Revise to simplify the nomination process. Eliminate the need to form a three-person resident nominating committee to identify candidates. Replace with a committee of board members whose positions are not due for election. The board reviews qualifications and recommends candidate slate if multiple candidates are identified.

Multiple sections: Add "resident" before "member" where appropriate to clarify when member is referring to resident members as opposed to board members. Brian recommended adding a disclaimer once to make the clarification rather than adding "resident" each time.

**Conclusion**: Brian will review bylaws more deeply and send recommended changes to Peg. Tabled approval of changes until August meeting.

#### **Topic 4** Old Business

Rob had recommended resending information on Sumter County's new dementia GPS program to all Unit 201 residents but then noticed that other sources were providing this information to all Sumter County residents.

Peg recommended sending an annual email to Unit 201 residents with information on HEART 201 and all relevant Sumter Co programs. Note: No decision was made.

**Conclusion**: Tabled for discussion at next meeting.

#### **Topic 5** New Business

Rob requested Sandy send block captains an email asking if they need any AED or relevant Sumter Co program brochures for handing out to new residents. Rob will send Sandy a list of the brochures to include.

We need to monitor the proposal by Sumter County Commissioner Bradley Arnold to discontinue using Sumter County Fire Dept personnel for responding to medical emergencies, and instead relaying exclusively on personnel from the contracted ambulance provider. The commissioner will present his proposal to the county board on 5/18/21.

Carol read from an article in the May 2021 VHA Voice newspaper in which Bradley Arnold responded to questions regarding the proposal.

Mike recommended we reach out to other AED program coordinators to determine what we all may need to do regarding the proposal.

Ready Alert, the system used by the fire dept for notifying responders when a cardiac arrest is occurring, was down for a few days due to a technical problem. The system is reportedly back up and running.

**Conclusion**: Mike will talk to a fire dept contact to see if he can find out any more information about the commissioner's proposal and potential impact on neighborhood AED programs.

#### **Topic 6** Next Meeting

Our next quarterly meeting is scheduled for August 5, 2021.