SFTR Women's Group Meeting Minutes MaY 21, 2022 10:00 am at MOC

The May WG meeting had a nice attendance and we welcomed two new neighbors who joined us. Those in attendance were Carol Smith, Sue Ritchter, Carmen Richards, Mary Bishop, Nancy Scott, Joni English, Claudia Henning, Lynne Parker, Kristi Lancaster, Carol Rankin, Cyndi Hamilton, Lori Clark, Maureen Latham, Shannon Youngquist, and Darla Tollefson. Sending regrets were Barb Wurfel, Maryanne Coelln, Mary Ghormley, Sue Downs.

First order of business was discussing **picnic plans** and the signup sheet was passed around. It was agreed the WG would provide all the plasticware and paper plates, as well as ice water. Carol Smith will confirm we shall have the microphone and amp available for any speaker needs when outdoor; Cyndi's husband Scott has agreed to set up games, and ideas were discussed from past picnics with Cyndi; the sign made last year to be located at the bridge guard shack will be put up again mid June; raffle items were discussed with Carmen before the meeting began and inventory taken as to ticket and bag supplies and layout of past picnic; Carmen will be obtaining gift cards from local businesses and will also take some donations of items from ranch persons but will be limiting the amount of total raffle items accepted - please see her with questions. She noted that there may be a raffle late this year to benefit the Fisher Peak Fire Department and perhaps some extra items may be saved for that purpose if okayed by donor; It will be announced in several ways to remind persons to take home any leftovers so clean up crew does not have to worry about them; Shannon will be creating the flier in next few days so we can have them for the POA Board Meeting June 4 and can put it on website and bulletin board; Anyone willing to help Shannon at the logowear sales, please let her know so she can create lists for times of helpers; RC has agreed to help with parking that am but would like helpers;

The recent Noxious Weeds program was well received by those attending - thanks go out to those women who donated cookies (some leftovers enjoyed today!). Thank you cards were sent to Carol Rawle and Donna Albertson. Carol Smith will see if we can have more of the Noxious weeds booklets that Donna brought, since we ran out at the program. It is noted that Carol Rawle has donated a box of laminated local plants for anyone to compare what you found on the ranch to her pictures and information for identification. The box will make its home at the MOC library area...More signups are needed for common area/road edges spraying. The list will be at the POA June meeting and then in the MOC. Check the website for more information about the weed spraying and contacts for herbicide.

The two large tents we used to use on the Gallinas picnic grounds for logowear and bingo will be moved from the Beaver's shed to the Metro Supplies area, with permission given from the Metro Board. The largest tent was donated to Fort Wooten. The (3) 10x10 tents will remain in the WG closet.

A proposal was discussed last meeting and a possible "request for exception to use the MOC" paper was passed around and discussed. The final draft will be presented to the Metro Board

for their input. This will be for educational events we may have that may also be beneficial to some outside participants (example is the recent smoke spotting program). All other programs and events will remain to be for SFTR residents only, the way it is set up at this point for MOC usage. Carol Smith will approach the Metro Board with this proposal as well as ask if Nancy Allred would like to have someone else take over the responsibility of scheduling the MOC usage; Claudia Henning has volunteered.

Darla has done an excellent job putting together the SFTR Women's Group Balance sheet so we can see more detailed expenditures and inventory. She will continue to work with past information so we can see where our money is coming and going and be able to evaluate our finances in a wonderful, informative way. At this point we do have \$4,253.28 in our account. Thank you Darla!

Upcoming thoughts: The next Meeting will be June 11 at 10 am at the MOC. It was discussed and decided that we shall have the August meeting be a pot luck brunch at the MOC to recognize any WG member who has retired in the past two years and enjoy celebrating with them...In September the plan is to gather in Trinidad and spend some limited time shopping or at least going in some of our local stores and then gathering some place for lunch and sharing what we discovered as "treasures"... Hope to see you all at future meetings and at the picnic!

Carol Smith, for the SFTR Women's Group