75th Anniversary Committee Minutes

September 5, 2018

Call to Order: 7:09 p.m.

Present: Dave Theriault, Diane Theriault, Steve McMahon, Steve Gottlieb, Maria Brighenti, Diane Delap, Kristen Shaw, Mike Galliher, Brian Baldwin, Scott Grizey, Sharon Levine-Shein, Jack Malaiszeski (Photographer), Phyllis Wilson, Jamie DiPace, PJ Piccirillo, Carol Baldwin, Mark Wilson, Dennis Bianchi, Sue Jansen, Jay McCaffrey, Bob Theriault, Chief Trick.

Convention Weekend:

Sign-up Genius: Sunday openings. VCBC trying to fill shifts for litter patrol for whole event.

Working on getting golf cart(s) from Avon Country Club. Gators available.

Thursday: 5:30 p.m. Set up tables and chairs Co. 1 for Irregulars Dinner, Mark Wilson. Diane & Diane to set tables for Maria.

Friday:

Irregulars Dinner: All set. RSVP due this Friday. Parking Co. 1 or shuttle bus from hotel to Co. 1. (Buses start at 5:00) Will have designated convention bus hotel to Co. 1, and back, hotel to carnival and back. No one at Simsbury Inn. Dave will check with Marriott.

Friday night: Welcoming people at hotel are Carol & Brianna Baldwin & PJ. PJ will do easel at hotel. Have brochures to hand out.

Bracelet night at Carnival (\$25) Friday only.

Hospitality room/beer/wine 9-12, and cheese/crackers, etc. Kristen will be there.

All personnel working have to sign in at Thompson Brook School. Wear any FD shirt.

Corporate meeting will hand out id lanyards and plastic holders.

Can use parking next door for overflow. Have someone stationed downstairs and open interior staircase because exterior stairs closed off.

Parking for volunteers behind garage at MH Rhodes or Thompson Brook School. Gator transport merchandise to Carnival grounds.

Light towers to be set up Friday.

Saturday:

Convention registration AHS. Sell merchandise. After meeting Presidential Reception at Co. 1.

250 people/inside/outside in bays. Last about 2 hrs. Grills/racks. Have volunteer runners set up tables.

At Corporation meeting on 9/10 big push to get sign-ups.

Parking areas for Weekend: AHS (450 spots) out by 11:30 p.m.; Methodist Church, Sycamore (156), Senior center, VCBC Friday night, Sat. evening VCBC (288), Carmon Funeral home, AMS (200)

Expect 30,000 people over weekend.

Sunday: Stop & Shop partnered with boars head to donate 1500 hot dogs and rolls and condiments in bull pen. Knights of Columbus will prepare and cook hot dogs.

Food for volunteers Friday & Saturday. Sandwich & chips and water. Dave will give PJ final numbers on how many sandwiches we need. PJ's church will prepare sandwiches. Maria will get plastic bags, paper bags, condiments. PJ will get meat and cheese (hopefully donated).

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Meet at Avon High School for department photo. Class A or blue shirt, beige pants, black shoes. Park at Co. 3.

Judges dinner: Volunteers be a Senior Center by 11:00 a.m. Need 1-2 people to help out. Serving, setting up. 20 people being served.

Question on hospitality room for Saturday night. Decided to tailgate, stay in parking lot.

45 departments coming; 100 trucks, 2 hour parade.

Publicity: PR – Laura: All info. on website and facebook. Hartford Courant article, V. Press, Gina J, Community calendars for NBC, WFSB, Fox. Schools Friday Flyers...try to get it in again. Local CT. Fairs and festivals, Patch and CT now events. Meteorologists & anchors promoting event. Food Trucks website will have posts through weekend. Food truck people est. 30,000 people.

Merchandise: Tom Kline will show credit card instructions for those selling merchandise at Corporation Meeting.

Message boards going up next week. Diane T. will get permission from St. Ann's to put sandwich board sign on their lawn.

Bus manager will be on site all weekend.

Next Meeting: September 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Co. 1

Adjourned: 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Theriault and Diane Delap