DRAFT VWOA Communications Committee Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2025

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In Attendance

Bill Fenstermacher, Michelle de Jongh, Joyce Oliver, Coral Fathy, Patricia Holmes, Gabriel Hernandez, Maria Robinson, Elaine Maurer

Absent: Chair Barbara Lee, Francis Lomax, Kim Dixon

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM. Bill Fenstermacher chaired the meeting in Barbara Lee’s absence.

Review/Approve Previous Minutes

Motion: Joyce Oliver motioned to approve the minutes; Coral Fathy seconded. All were in favor.

Old Business

a. **Update on VWOA website.** Bill Fenstermacher noted that events such as the SMASH class was not included on the calendar. Maria explained that was because it’s not a drop-in class; it’s a sign-up program.

b. **Subscribe Box on Facebook for What’s the Buzz.** Maria Robinson said there is a sign-up on Facebook. She suggested closing items a and b from the agenda.

c. **USPS Town Hall Meeting.** Maria Robinson said the last she heard about a meeting was that Francis Lomax was going to reach out to the post office and have them contact the office. She hasn’t heard anything more. There was discussion including possible protests or having a meeting and identifying to the community which office (USPS, Congressman Castro) is a “no show,” but no decision was made. Elaine spoke about a meeting tomorrow in Alamo Ranch of the Western Bexar County Alliance. She suggested someone could go and represent VWOA. She will send the meeting link to everyone present.

New Business

d. **Coffee for Veterans.** Elaine Maurer said there is a Board Meeting this week and Coffee for Veterans is on the agenda. She said if the Board approves it, then we can proceed and work with the SARC (Suggestions & Recommendations Committee).

e. **Signs for Meetings.** Maria Robinson noted that the signs have been made and recommends removing this item from the agenda.

Open Forum

Fall Fest is approaching. There are enough volunteers but not enough participants. The chili cook off has 5 participants now, but pie eating only has two. There must be at least 5 for the event to continue. Registration must be made by Friday. Committee members offered to help spread the word.

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Adjournment

Joyce Oliver motioned to adjourn. Patricia Holmes seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:33 PM.

Chairperson _____ Date _____

Secretary _____ Date _____