**Linn-Benton Chapter Minutes; February26, 2024**

**Zoom Meeting; 6:30 - 8pm**

**PRESENT AT THE MEETING:**

**Kristen Jocums, Andrea Barnhurst, Arona Rosegold John Gardner, Carolyn Gardner, Sally Utt, Karen Barker, Jen Doren, Shaun Doren, Ashley Neybert, Natalie Charboneau, Kirk Wagner, Lynne Brown, Alex Brown**

**MINUTES**

**Sally will resend the January minutes for a vote at the March meeting.**

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

**No report this month.**

**DAB**

**The DAB board is trying to get rid of the new scheduling software. Instead, they want to go back to the previous software that was working quite well.**

**STF Advisory Board Committee has scheduled a public meeting on March 25. This will be held on the Zoom platform, from 10am-12pm. Chapter members are encouraged to register and show up to give testimony. A goal for the disability community for this committee is to create a work group to further work through more of the actual ride issues that this population experiences.**

**LIGHTS OUT LUAU**

**At our meeting we made some decisions:**

**\*We agreed to reduce our target of 150 people to 100, and move ahead with the rental of the tableware and putting in the catering order. If we find that we have sold more tickets, we can adjust our orders up in April.**

**\*We agreed that we would go ahead and hire Honeybrine Catering as a full service provider. They will plate and serve the food, set and clear the tables, and clean up. If the CCC has a space where our rented tableware from Special Occasions can be stored once delivered on Friday, until it is picked up on Monday then we will pay the delivery fee to have Special Occasions deliver. If there is not a storage space, we will pay Honeybrine to be responsible for the tableware.**

**\*We agreed the best way to handle the meal choices will be to create 6 entre choices: 1.chicken, 2.gf chicken, 3,pork, 4.gf pork, 5.vegetarian, 6.gf vegetarian**

**(The only part of the meal that will contain gluten will be mac salad, so choosing a gf selection means no mac salad on your plate.)**

**\*We agreed not to add flower scents to the leis because some people are highly sensitive to fragrances. Instead, we will spray a couple of fragrances on card stock and put them in small plastic bags to pass around at each table for those who want to sniff and try to identify,or just enjoy. This can initiate a conversation about some of the ways blind people use the sense of smell to help identify various aspects of our life every day.**

**\*We are in agreement that “sighted guide” information and travel needs to be part of this event, but we still need to work on exactly how this will be handled. And there will need to be a plan for seating people.**

**\*View Plus will produce a tactile souvenir for each person to take home**

**\*\*\*Everyone should continue to work on getting sponsors**

**NEXT MEETING**

**We will meet next on Monday March 25 at 6:30, on Zoom.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Sally Utt**