Monthly Board of Directors Meeting D'Ax* at MFPD Station 75 8801 Rock Creek Road Thursday, December 28, 2023 5:30 pm Minutes

The District Auxiliary – Mosquito* Board of Directors: Meredith Blain, President Dee Harris, Vice President Melissa Stever, Treasurer Devon Beesley, Communications Diane Brady, Secretary

The District Auxiliary opened their meeting at 5:33 pm in the MFPD Kitchen. All directors were present except Diane Brady. Elisabeth Bingham attended the meeting.

Directors approved the November minutes.

Treasurer: Director Stever reported there is no update on the IRS Non-Profit status. D'Ax has \$6,342.18 in checking account, \$170 in cash. Proceeds from the pancake breakfast amounted to \$1,151.69 with \$397.27 in expenses. Recent expenditures include \$400 on gift cards, \$600 on a new stove for the firehouse, \$258.54 on kids swag/pancake promotions, and \$369.91 for T-shirts. The stove purchase funds came from MFPDs Station 75 fund which now has a balance of \$150.25. Melissa asked if we needed to continue with a Zoom subscription and the chief was asked and said no. Melissa will cancel or not pay the subscription.

Communications: Director Beesley reported she is using an app to produce fliers and directors unanimously approved use of the debit card to pay for the subscription. The sustainability committee had not met, and their next meeting will be on January 8, 2024. At the last breakfast 2 shirts were sold and it was suggested D'Ax discuss at the next meeting if additional shirts need to be ordered.

Next event is January 27, 2024, pancake breakfast. The board discussed getting specific time commitments for firefighters shifts for better planning of the event. Meredith will talk to the Chief and get specifics prior to the next breakfast.

Next month is the D'Ax annual meeting and elections will be held. There are three open positions, Dee is retiring, and Meredith and Melissa's positions are open. Both Directors volunteered for another term and Elisabeth Bingham volunteered to fill Dee's position which will be for a term of one year when the other three positions open. Elisabeth was qualified based on her participation as a volunteer in community events and as a Support Group member.

Meredith will get and forward the contact information for the donation of a car to the department to be used for training purposes. The owners of the car do not require a tax letter. Melissa will contact the owners for details.

In general, directors were asked to review D'Ax Bylaws to be ready for next month's meeting and elections of board officers. Meredith needs to buy a few more keys for the shed.

Directors took an inventory of the D'Ax assets (really MFPD assets but in D'Ax custody). One table was missing from the shed as well as a banner. The table was located in the MFPD storage space, and the banner was confirmed in the possession of Cheryl Owen for use at an upcoming Chili Cookoff.

With no public comments, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Submitted by Meredith Blain