

RED COMMITTEE BRIDGE DINNER (Sept 29. 2019)

CLOSING Minutes

Present: Jason Koerber (Chair), Gloria Leustek (Selectmen's Representative), Jennifer Rhodes (Secretary), Devon Snikeris, Jeanne VanPatten

10/02/2018 Meeting CTO- 6:00 PM Jason – second- Gloria

A Bridge Dinner closing meeting was held 10/2/2018 to discuss the overall thoughts on the Bridge Dinner

The feedback that has been given by various guests and friends of those that attended is overwhelming positive. We have not had any complaints from the event and have decided to make a list of the items we feel the guests enjoyed, and what we would like to improve on and or do differently.

It has been unanimously agreed to send thank you cards to Piccadilly Farm and St. Stans for their generous donations.

Piccadilly Farm donated ready to eat salad and St. Stans all of the dinner ware

It was voted unanimously to give \$2000 to the museum

POSITIVES

- ___ Food
- ___ Dinner dishes vs compostable, and or plastic ware
- ___ Decorations
- ___ Band
- ___ Appetizers
- ___ Apple cider
- ___ Donated items table
 - Table clothes
 - Lightning (on bridge)
 - timing

Improve

- **Lightning:**

Simply just not enough lightning. The dessert table was completely without light. Rob shined what light was available on the table, however it didn't reach. Our guests were very kind and "went with the flow" by shining the lights from their phones onto the table for us
- **Closure of brose earlier:**

Suggested that we close the bridge at 1PM. closing the bridge earlier will certainly help with last minute details
- **Count chairs:**

We put 4 chairs per table per side. HOWEVER- we didn't count out the chairs as a double check and found ourselves needing more chairs.

- **Larger plates:**

Using actual dinnerware was a benefit. The plates unfortunately were just too small for the food.

- **More lighting:**

We need more light. Everyone was positive about the situation however we were serving dessert literally in the dark. In addition, all of the table need more lighting. **Can't stress this one enough**

- **Dessert table:**

Suggested to have particular volunteers in charge of the dessert table. They can start to cut the dessert and have it plated prior to the dinner being over and a line forming.
Also suggested to have volunteers take a dessert tray around to the guests instead of them coming up for dessert.

- **Family style salad:**

Discussions about having a large pre made salad on the table prior to the meal being served

- **Guests entering and being seated:**

We had several guest arrive appx. 45 minutes early and seat themselves prior to the volunteers being ready for guests. It became difficult to keep track of who gave a ticket and whom did not. We discussed having a tent style entry way that everybody that is to be seated has to enter through.

- **Ingredients in the dishes:**

Several guests had concerns whether or not the food contained certain ingredients. IE- peppers, tomatoes and simply... What is in it?! A suggestion is a plastic stand up that we can out the dinner that is being served along with the ingredients.

The chicken was also very large. If at all possible, we would like smaller pieces

- **Ticket sales:**

A few people stated they has difficulty obtaining tickets due to an inconsistency with the hours of the location.
We discussed to continue having the tickets being sold at one location, however adding ticket sales at the Farmers Market.

Motion to adjourn 7:00- Jeanne Seconded- Jenny Meeting Adjourned 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Jennifer Rhodes, Secretary

Minutes approved on 2/13/19

Signed Jason Koerber (Jason Koerber, Chair)