

**Parkland Retirees Organization
Membership Luncheon Meeting Minutes
September 19,2024: Final Amended**

Parkland Retirees Organization (PROs) met at the Parkland Health Campus in the Moody Clinic Building, 5151 Maple Avenue. Meeting room was changed from the 1st floor to the 5th floor.

Members gathered at 10:30 am for registration and social visiting. There were 65 attendees. Each attendee received a packet containing the agenda, Luncheon Meeting Minutes March 19,2024, FY 2024 Treasurer's Year End Report, Proposed FY 2025 Budget and a PROs Brochure. Metro Medical Credit union provided a gift bag with a pen.

Welcome - The meeting was called to order at 11:20 am by President Betsey Attel who welcomed those in attendance and reviewed the agenda for the program.

Invocation- Charla Edwards lead with a prayer.

In Memoriam- A moment of silence was held for Kathleen Norton.

Program

The Shining Stars from the Lancaster Senior Center performed three lively dance routines which included an opportunity for attendee participation. The dancers included Vanette Davenport, Renae Johnson, Gwin Williams, Rahn Hines, Linda Gilbert, Electra Alexander, Linda Prince Keesee and Deborah Rivers.

Dr. DeLancey Johnson, Senior VP and Associate Chief Talent Officer, Parkland Health gave an operational report.

- Dr. Johnson has agreed to be the sponsor for the PROs. He reiterated his support for the PROs.
- Dr. Johnson encouraged everyone to get information about volunteerism and find ways to give back.
- Dr Johnson announced that he has arranged for PROs members to obtain Texas State Fair tickets at a reduced price of \$15.00. Tickets can be used any day. There is a cap on the number of tickets which can be obtained in the gift shop by Friday, 9/20/2024. Fair Day for Parkland is Saturday, 9/28/2024. There will be a dedicated tent for Parkland team and their families.

- On Saturday 11/9/2024, there will be a Parkland-recognized day at Six-Flags. Discounted tickets are available for purchase for this one-day event via the Parkland Gift Shop. They are trying to find another health care system to share that day.
- No decision has been made about the use of the old Parkland Hospital site
- In October, there will be T-shirts and tumblers available for purchase. These items will include pictures depicting the history of the Parkland buildings . There will be a 7-day period to order items.

Business Meeting

President Betsey Attel opened the business portion of the meeting. Reports were included in the packets.

Betsey introduced PROs Board Members and welcomed those who recently joined. We have 125 members at the end of this fiscal year.

Betsey stated that the growth of PROs has put us in a transition period and we will need to make some changes. We will need to use the Parkland Room scheduling system and be flexible with the dates for our two per year Luncheon Meetings. There will be a hard stop date for members to RSVP for the Luncheon. This will allow us to have an accurate count. We rely on Parkland staff to assist us with these meetings and we need to be respectful of their time. We are also making some communication changes. Be on the lookout for text messages. Do not reply to the phone number. Everyone was reminded to provide the correct contact information. New member information will be included in the Membership Directory that will be distributed in March 2025.

Secretary's Report – Motion was made and seconded to approve the Spring Luncheon (3/19/2024) Meeting Minutes. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report - Current MMCU balances as of 8/31/2024 are: \$5919.23(checking), \$1290.04(CD) and \$27.08 (savings) Motion was made and seconded to approve the report as corrected. Motion was approved. The 2025 Proposed Budget was presented. Motion was made and seconded to approve the 2025 Proposed Budget. Motion was approved. We appreciate the generous donations made by our membership.

Parkland Auxiliary- Everyone is encouraged to join the Auxiliary. There are opportunities to volunteer. Please notify Irena at irena@silverfoxestravel.com or 214-223-1470 if you are interested in joining or want to attend an introductory meeting.

Attendees were then served a box lunch in the 5th floor meeting room where they could eat and continue visiting. Meal was provided by Parkland Health.

Raffle-Door prizes included gift bags, ten \$20 gift cards, and \$50 in cash from the Metro Credit Union. A Special Raffle (\$50.00 cash) was held for members who brought a new member to the Luncheon.

Thanks to Maricela Barron and Parkland Health staff for their part in organizing this Luncheon Meeting

Respectfully Submitted on 3/5/2025

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen Jessen".

Karen Jessen, PROs Secretary 2024-2025

Approved as amended by the PROs Board on 3/6/2025

Approved as amended by the PROs Membership on 3/19/2025