

MINUTES SURVEY AD HOC COMMITTEE Facility Access Ad Hoc Committee Wednesday, January 16, 2019 1:30pm to 3:00pm - Las Campanas – Acacia Room

Committee Approved Minutes February 13, 2019

Present: Sandra Thornton, Chair; Sandy Rockowitz; Suzan Curtain; Ed Knopp; Kent Blumenthal, CEO; Dan Freeman – Staff Liaison

The Ad Hoc Facility Access Committee's goal is to identify ease of access issues at GVR centers/facilities for GVR members and guests with physical limitations and report our findings to the GVR Board.

Committee discussed ease of access issues they have experienced or heard about. Restroom access is seen as a significant issue. Sandy suggested it would be good to have Unisex restrooms clearly identified for individuals needing assistance from a spouse/friend/partner. Kent has found that, when push button door openers are not near enough to the card swipe, it can be difficult to move fast enough to get through the door when it opens. It was noted that when some bathroom doors open, you can see directly into the restroom. Suzan suggested posting more detailed layouts of GVR Centers on the GVR website so individuals with physical limitations would know exactly where meeting rooms, handicapped parking, curb cuts, restrooms, etc. were located.

Committee members want to go to each major GVR Center to start, on their own or with a friend, for a "look see" to identify access issues. Ed will visit West Center and Canoa Ranch; Sandy will visit Las Campanas and Santa Rita Springs; Suzan will visit East Center; Sandra will visit Desert Hills and Canoa Hills. Their findings will be sent to Sandra to compile and report back to the committee.

Ed will identify a form the committee can use when evaluating the Centers to consistently record our observations. Dan will locate layouts/diagrams for each center to precisely mark the facility access/use issues we find.

Next meeting: Wednesday February 6, 2019.