



Regular Meeting Minutes

Fairfax Senior Citizen Center Park Advisory Board

Friday April 26, 2024 | 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Fairfax Senior Citizen Center

7929 Melrose Avenue Los Angeles California 90046

Ronald Evans, Center Director
Julie Finger, President
Sylvia Kleinhaut, Board Member
Dolores Kemp, Board Member

William Meyerchak, Board Member
Dr. Tricia Tahara-Stoller, Board Member
Joseph Kleinhaut, Ex-Officio Memeber
Khadeem Lee, Ex-Officio Member

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Present were: Ronald Evans, Joseph Kleinhaut, Khadeem Lee, Dolores Kemp, Sylvia Kleinhaut, Julie Finger, William Meyerchak

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes were approved

3. SPECIAL GUEST(S)

- Cairo Rodriguez–Senior Field Deputy for Councilwoman Katy Yaroslavsky CD5 (“Stop Senior Scams Event”)

Cairo Rodriguez, Senior Field Deputy for Councilwoman Katy Yaroslavsky presented information on the “Stop Senior Scam Acting Program Event” happening on May 13th. SSSAP will be performing live and present info through skits; acting out the possible scams that are targeting our senior citizens. The Fairfax District has the oldest and largest population of senior citizens in the City of Los Angeles. This educational event is very important for the Fairfax District. Billions of dollars are lost to these scams every year. This event will help educate the community and help stop the Senior Scam issue facing our Senior Communities. Mr. Rodriguez wants Seniors at the Center to be sure to participate in Senior Fraud Awareness. “52 – Take 5 minutes and Tell 2 people”

4. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT *

No general public comments



5. MATTERS UNDER BOARD CONSIDERATION

- Other possible Board Members and Ex-Officio Members for center Director to approve

The Board voted to approve 4 yes – 0 no. The Center Director is involved with our PAB to secure other candidates for Board positions.

- Donations to make the lunch area more inviting (finished puzzles are being mounted)

The Board voted to approve 4 yes – 0 no. The center's Puzzle Club volunteered to glue together and mount their finished puzzles for donation to the lunch area. We are looking into getting fake flowers for the tables from JFSLA.

Also mentioned. The center needs 100 new chairs for the auditorium and new lobby seats – A RAP supervisor will be contacted and an update given at a future meeting.

- Ideas to boost membership; boost class enrollment

The Board voted to approve 4 yes – 0 no. It was recommend that "A" frame signboards be used. Balloons will be added to enhance the advertisement. When the center's class commercials are finished we should play them at Bingo during the break. Ronald Evans, Center Director offered to go to other Senior Centers to ask if we can display Fairfax Senior Center Activities.

- Volunteer RAP Name Badge – Do you want one with your name on it?

The Board voted to approve getting RAP volunteer name badges 4 yes – 0 no.

- Move Bingo Supplies to Volunteer office and make Bingo cabinet the new game storage area

The Board voted to approve moving Bingo Supplies 4 yes - 0 no.



6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Gas Line Repair | Heaters Not Working Since August 2023 | Gas is turned off

The Center Director has submitted the required RAP maintenance/repair tickets. The Center Director has talked with RAP supervisors regarding the on-going issue.

- ADA Access Ramp Repair work starts on April 23rd

LA City Engineering started to survey the sidewalks and our parking lot area at the Center. We are working BOE, CD5, RAP, LA Streets, and other LA City Agencies to get this work completed.

- Updates and Q&A for Stop Senior Scams and Family Celebration Day Events

No questions.

- A-frame signs with balloons idea - Dolores Kemp

The Board approved the idea 4 yes – 0 no. Mentioned above.

- Make commercials to advertise our Classes – Joseph Kleinhaut

Joseph and William will reach out to our class instructor and produce advertisements for our class. Details are still being planned. An update will be given at the next meeting.

- Who can volunteer: May 13th SSC | May 28th FDC | July 2nd BBQ

William, maybe Dolores for SSC.

Sylvia, Joseph, Julie, Dolores, maybe William for FDC.

Sylvia, Joseph, Julie, Dolores, maybe William for July 2nd Party. The Board 3 yes – 1 no and the Director in favor voted to serve Chinese Food and not Bludso's BBQ because of budget/cost issues.

- The center will be purchasing new & used board games to increase attendance

It was noted that the Center will purchasing some games and will hopefully be receiving some donations as well. The Center's Mah Jong Club is becoming very popular.

- Volunteers needed to serve food items to the tables at parties and events

It was suggested to use serving carts to facilitate serving food and refreshments at parties and events. Food should be plated and brought to guests. We will need to find a way to purchase a new food grade cart. Also hoping that Fairfax High can help with "Seniors and Seniors" for some events in the future.



- Clean-up Day with Fairfax High School is Canceled. Event only at Pan-Pacific on May 21st

No questions – event was canceled. Participation at the May 21st event was discussed.

- Getting FSCC on the approved LASD field trip list. Future partnership with Fairfax High

William has been in contact with LAUSD to get on the approved field trip list. Students can not come to the Center until we are approved. William is also working with Mrs. Bradshaw, College Admissions Dept on future projects that “Seniors and Seniors” can do together to help our community.

- New TV for the center: Movies and Bingo (use existing TV stand vs new TV stand)

Pan Pacific Senior Center is using the TV for activities. We talked about donating it and finding a new plan.

- Using RAP RecTrak to register, sign-up, and pay for classes & events

This easy to use system allows new Seniors to register as members and also sign-up for classes and events. The system even allows for payment to be made via credit or debt card. The RAP center membership includes city and center liability waivers. It also gives permission to use photos that we take at classes, events and parties.

7. BOARD BUSINESS

None mentioned.

8. NEXT MEETING

- May 31, 2024 at 1:00PM to 2:30PM

9. ADJOURNMENT

* PUBLIC COMMENT

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