

SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of the April 1, 2013 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 in the meeting room of the Oak Ridge Senior Center by Chairperson Elizabeth Batchelor.

ECAB members present: Elizabeth Batchelor, Gene Dunaway, Margaret Gottshall, Barbara Gunn, Lee Roy Gilliam, David McCoy, William Pryor and Alfred Skyberg.

ECAB members absent: Lynne Burchell, James Gillespie, and Robert Smallridge.

Also present: Linda Jackson, Recreation Manager, Oak Ridge Senior Center.

VISITORS: Janice Johnson, Cherie Phillips, Stan Boling, and Lynne Parris.

MINUTES APPROVAL: Minutes of the March 4, 2013 meeting were approved.

SENIOR CENTER RECREATION MANAGER REPORT: Linda Jackson reported the following:

1. Copies of the Senior Center April Calendar of events were distributed and reviewed.
2. A Driver Safety Class will be held on April 3rd and 4th. It will be held 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day and the cost is \$14. There are still spaces available. Contact the front office to register.
3. AARP Income Tax Preparation Assistance will continue each Monday until April 15th.
4. A shopping trip to West Town Mall will be held on April 22nd from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost for the trip is \$2. Please sign up at the front desk.

ORGANIZATION REPORTS

AARP – (Barbara Gunn) Steve and LouAnn Cristy will be speaking on April 18th at 1 p.m. regarding a \$50 water purifier that can help an entire village have clean water.

SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB – (Margaret Gottshall) The group had a good luncheon meeting last month.

NARFE – (William Pryor) The speaker at the previous meeting was Darryl Millis, the veterinarian who worked on Smoky the Mascot for UT. The next meeting will be the 3rd Tuesday in May.

OR RETIRED TEACHERS – (Robert Smallridge) No Report.

43 CLUB – (James Gillespie) No Report.

C.O.R.R.E. – (LeRoy Gilliam) Mr. Gilliam discussed a bill that went to committee to put photos on handicapped hang tags. It will be resubmitted and expanded to include a provision to require atleast one wheel chair only space at all parking areas.

ELDERWATCH/ADULT SAFETY COALITION – (Liz Batchelor)
Elderwatch will meet on April 18th at 10:00 a.m. at the Clinton Church of God. She also mentioned a fraud to be aware of involving someone calling saying that they represent Medicare. She said to just hang up.

COUNCIL ON AGING – (Lynne Burchell) No Report.

COMMUNITY-AT-LARGE (Alfred Skyberg) No Report.
(Gene Dunaway) No Report.
(Dave McCoy) Mr. McCoy reported that there will be a run in memorial of Kerry Trammell and he also welcomed Gene Dunaway to the board.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alfred Skyberg made a motion that the Board Bylaws be approved with the changes that had be made and sent out to board members. Barbara Gunn seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously accepted by all present board members.

NEW BUSINESS

William Pryor commented on a newspaper article in the Chattanooga paper discussing costs for nursing home care and assisted living. He wondered if the Board could do a survey of the costs here in Oak Ridge. Also mentioned was a new veteran's facility on Gum Hollow Road. Alfred Skyberg asked if home healthcare could be included in the survey to compare the costs for that option with the others.

Elizabeth Batchelor mentioned the Oak Ridge Fire Department's program to identify the elderly and special needs people in our community.

There was also discussion about living wills and Dave McCoy brought up that Buddy Scott would be a good person to come and speak on the subject.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Janice Johnson mentioned that the Clinton AARP donated \$500 to the Senior Nutrition Program and they would like to challenge other groups to make donations as well. They also need more volunteers and more drivers.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Submitted by

Linda McGhee, Recreation Manager