

SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of the March 6, 2017 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. in the club room of the Oak Ridge Civic Center by Chairperson Pat Gengozian.

SAB members present: Marty Adler-Jasny, Pat Gengozian, Jackie Nichols, Paul Smiddy, Lisa Plante, Gene Dunaway, Robert Smallridge, Alfred Skyberg, and Susan Asbury.

SAB members absent: Delores Moyer and Hal Schmitt.

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

VISITORS: None

MINUTES APPROVAL: Minutes of the February 6th meeting were approved as amended.

APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS

None

REPORTS

SENIOR CENTER RECREATION MANAGER REPORT

Linda McGhee reported the following:

- 1.) The March Calendar of Activities was distributed.
- 2.) There are two day trips scheduled for April. The 1st is lunch and a movie at West Towne Mall on March 8th. The cost is \$3 to cover transportation. The cost of lunch and the movie is on your own. The 2nd trip is to the Cumberland County Playhouse on March 28th for a matinee showing of the Odd Couple. Cost is \$30 and covers transportation and the ticket. The cost of lunch is on your own.
- 3.) There are several classes beginning in March. Conversational Spanish begins this month and is \$50 for a 10 week session. Guitar lessons began on March 3rd and are free. There is also a diabetes education class by Munsey Pharmacy on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.
- 4.) There is a lunch and learn about Medical verses non-medical home care. Cost is free but you must sign up to be counted for lunch.
- 5.) Income Tax Assistance was cancelled by the AARP for this year. They couldn't find a person to be our site coordinator. The other option for income tax help here in Oak Ridge is the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA). VITA works on a first come, first serve basis and does not accept appointments. They are located at the Trinity Outreach Center at 320

Robertsville Road. The hours of operation are Tuesday – Friday from 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon.

RECENT ACTIONS OF CITY COUNCIL

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Recreation Manager Linda McGhee reported that the golf cart was in and was to be delivered sometime this week. Volunteers would be needed to help drive the cart to pick up patrons in the parking lots. Also mentioned by board members was how to let people know that the cart is now here. Linda mentioned that she had a list of several people she knew needed the cart to get in and out of the building and she would call them to let them know when it was in. A sign out by the parking with the number of the senior center desk for people to call was also mentioned.

Board members discussed ways to let people know about the activities at the senior center. Al Skyberg mentioned an article for the Senior Living in the Oak Ridger. Adding Channel 12 and WYSH radio to the press release list was also mentioned as was a sign out front of the Civic Center.

Senior Center accreditation was mentioned by some of the board members and was discussed in general terms. There would be a cost and require staff time to be spent on the process. It could be looked into further if needed.

NEW BUSINESS

Recreation Manager Linda McGhee mentioned that barring complications, the board should meet with an architect from Studio 4 Design at its next meeting in April. Board member Marty Adler-Jasny asked if we could call a work session meeting before this time to review past studies in preparation for the meeting. The date of March 27th at 9:30 a.m. was chosen for the work session meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Submitted by

Linda McGhee, Recreation Manager

Pat Gengozian, Board Chairperson