Minutes of the Sno-Valley Senior Center Board Meeting | March 1, 2021

The Advisory Council of the Sno-Valley Senior Center held a Zoom video conference at 5:30pm Pacific Time on March 1, 2021.

Unless otherwise indicated, attendees were present for the entire meeting. Ms. Lambert chaired the meeting. All participants could hear each other.

Attendance

☒ Sara Lambert (President)
☒ John Moore (Vice President)
☒ Don Wilhelm (Treasurer)
☒ Griselda Gay (Secretary)
☒ Lisa Yeager (Director)
☒ Mairi Brooks
☒ Rick Carter
☒ Roberta Epps
☒ Allan Gilstrap
☒ Jennifer Harrison
☒ Dick Kirby
☒ Christine Lemons
☒ Cecelia McCorkle
☒ Maureen Cleary
☒ Glenda Surdam

Guest attendee: Michele Raymond, member of the Housing Committee and former President

Quorum (7 or more external board members)

☒ Yes  □ No

Materials

Each board member was provided with related meeting materials listed below.

1. Agenda
2. Minutes of January meeting and February Special Meeting
3. Board Accounts as of 2/24/2021
4. December 2020 Financials
5. F.E.S.H. Be Culture flyer
6. Board Committee Sign-up Sheet

Call to Order

Ms. Lambert called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. Ms. Lambert reminded the board of the center values and mission. Ms. Gay announced that she will be moving out of Carnation and stepping down from the board once a new Secretary is appointed or by the end of 2021.

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Committee Reports

Finance

Mr. Wilhelm reported on the finances with an emphasis on the positive end to 2020 due to the PPP Loans and strong donations.

Ms. Yeager shared details of various grants received for 2021. Grant funding has been approved, but not yet been received.

Mr. Wilhelm shared news about funds raised by fundraising events.

The SVSC is the only Sound Generations Senior Center that ended the year in the black.
By-Laws
Ms. Harrison reported that the committee will not reconvene until the end of the year if needed.

Auction
Ms. Epps reported on the auction plans for 2021. A theme has been selected – The Wizard of Oz and The Emerald City. The Auction is planned for October 16. There will potentially be an in-person option for viewing items, while bidding will once again be online. Details such as prices and logistics are still under consideration.

Re-In-Carnation
Ms. Lambert reported that RIC is now open two days a week and they are starting to bring in some revenue.

Other Committees
Ms. Yeager and Ms. Lambert led a discussion about the committees and who will chair and staff the committees.

Ms. Surdam asked of the facilities committee whether there were any projects that have been deferred that we should consider doing, given our unexpected surplus. Mr. Carter reported on the few items that need to be taken care of – they all need to wait for dryer weather.

Old Business
The Housing Committee has been meeting regularly to review proposals and move the project forward. The committee has had numerous discussions with funding specialists and architects. If anyone has ideas about the aesthetic of the building, they are encouraged to share that with the committee. In terms of funding, we need to make decisions about what subsets of seniors we hope to serve with the housing project e.g. veterans? Low income? Members? All seniors in the area?

Considering up to 20\21 units and up to three stories where the building won’t overlook residential neighbors, and two stories where it does overlook neighbors.

The committee answered questions about the progress of plans and options.

New Business
Ms. Lambert shared that she has completed some board training and has a number of things she’d like to consider for changes as we evolve our board processes.

Among those changes, are appointing a leader to each committee – already in progress – and considering moving to the process of a consent agenda in which committee reports are sent in advance for review and consideration for the board.
Motion by | Ms. Cleary
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Description | Motion to establish and monitor the use of consent agenda for committees
Seconded | Ms. Surdam
Yays | 14
Nays | 0
Passed? | Yes

Ms. Yeager reported on a vaccination update – it had been challenging setting up Senior Center-reserved appointments for vaccination appointments at Safeway, but this is now in progress and small number of slots are now reserved for Seniors. Ms. Cleary shared that her concern is for those who don’t have access to transportation. There are discussions about help from Eastside Fire and Rescue to help with vaccines for home-bound seniors.

**Director’s Report**

Ms. Yeager recommended the March 19 Be Culture training for Far East Senior Hub staff, board, and volunteers. If anyone wants to attend, please send an email to Lisa. The board are strongly encouraged to attend this training. We want to make our programs more welcoming and inclusive to our community.

Ms. Yeager reminded the board that we have virtual trivia coming up. The plant sale is also coming up on April 30th and May 1st. You can order hanging baskets now – they sell out – order them now!

Ms. McCorkle, volunteer chair for the plant sale, encouraged board members to volunteer for the plant sale. If you can spare a few hours, you are strongly encouraged to participate and volunteer. Jobs include being a cashier, plant tallow, cleaning helper and much more. Send her an email if you or a family member\friend want to help.

**Adjourn**

The business of the Advisory Board being concluded, Ms. Lambert adjourned the meeting at 6:40pm.