

Advisory Committee for Senior Citizens

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee for Senior Citizens was held on Thursday, March 1, 2007 at the Troy Community Center. Chair Bud Black called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

Present: Bud Black, Member Jo Rhoads, Member
 Pauline Noce, Member James Berar, Member
 JoAnn Thompson, Member David Ogg, Member
 Merrill Dixon, Member Frank Shier, Member
 Betty Coven, Member Carla Vaughan, Staff

Absent: None

Visitors: Paula Fleming, Ron Hynd, Tim Burns

Approval of Minutes

Resolution # SC-2007-3-001
 Moved by Jo Rhoads
 Seconded by Pauline Noce

RESOLVED, That the Minutes of Feb. 1, 2006 be approved as submitted.

Yes: 9

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Visitor Comments

Paula Fleming discussed awards, accomplishments, and upcoming events within the Troy School District

Old Business

Shuffleboard and Bocce Ball: Carla reported that the “learn to play” sessions and league information is in the March newsletter and people may register now. A total of 20 people have expressed an interest, and a direct mailing about upcoming programs has been sent to them. The equipment will be stored at the front desk. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be planned for April or May, but the courts will open as soon as weather permits.

Catering Service at the Community Center: Carla reported that City Council approved the bid from A & S Catering to become the 'preferred' caterer at the Troy Community Center. Four other companies submitted bids but they did not accept the revenue sharing percentage that was proposed by A & S Catering. The city attorney is finalizing the terms of the contract.

The new food policy for the Troy Community Center is outlined in the attached document. Non-profit groups that meet residency will be allowed to bring in their own food and will not be

charged the service fee. In addition, they will only be charged the \$30 cleaning fee if they do not clean up the food or beverages they serve at their events. The kitchen is not available for use by any groups.

Lunch Visits: JoAnn Thompson reported that they visited the Clawson Center again and proposed that a committee be set up to promote a warm and welcoming atmosphere in the Troy dining room. Carla will announce this in the April newsletter and schedule a meeting for interested persons on April 3 at 10 a.m.

AEDs: Carla checked with building supervisor Kraig Schmottlach and he indicated that way the AEDs are identified with signs and arrows pointing to their location is within code and there are no plans to mount them on the wall at the present time. All staff who are trained to use them know how they work and where they are located. There are 10-15 people in the building at all times that are trained on how to use them. There was a suggestion in the box that an AED be placed on the second floor. There are three in the building with no plans to add one on the second floor. JoAnn suggested that the committee make a recommendation to City Council about the placements of the AEDs and she will write something up for the next meeting.

New Business

Garden: Landscape annalist Ron Hynd gave a presentation about the garden that will be planted this year outside the windows of the senior lunchroom. The Committee approved of the plans.

Tim Burns: Oakland County Commissioner Tim Burns introduced himself and talked about issues of interest to senior citizens.

Newsletter Survey: Carla asked the committee to review a survey she plans to send out about the senior newsletter.

Reports

Park Board: Merrill Dixon reported that they held a special meeting to make a recommendation to City Council about selling a parcel of land.

Medi-Go: Jo Rhoads reported that they discussed how to better promote Medi-Go.

Senior Program: Carla reported that in the first month, there were 28 requests for service from the SHARP home repair program. More volunteers are needed and the next meeting is March 8 at 7 p.m. at the Community Center. The County Spelling Duel was held in Troy on February 28. There were 16 contestants from 6 cities. JoAnn Thompson took third place. A drop-in badminton program starts tomorrow and a new walking club is forming.

OLHSA: Jo Rhoads reported that the Angel Home Care Company gave a presentation on their service.

Oakland County Senior Advisory Board: No report.

Suggestion Box: Carla reported that there was one comment about the food being bad and the people being cliquish. There was also a suggestion that we offer theme lunches and that a volunteer committee be formed to pursue this. These suggestions were discussed under old business – lunch visits. There was also a suggestion about the AEDs that was discussed under old business – AEDs.

Comments

James Berar discussed his attendance at the City Council meeting.

Merrill Dixon asked that Advisory Committee brochures be available at the Expo.

Frank Shier, in response to Carla’s newsletter survey, stated that more info would increase readership.

Jo Rhoads stated that the type should be larger.

JoAnn reported that she won’t be at the next Supper Club meeting, but Pauline will be there.

Pauline Noce stated that the meeting was too long.

Betty Coven introduced herself to the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bud Black, Chair

Carla Vaughan, Secretary