



MINUTES

IRVINE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL MEETING

March 20, 2014

Lakeview Senior Center
20 Lake Road
Irvine, California

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Irvine Senior Citizens Council was called to order on March 20, 2014 at 9 a.m. at Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, California, by Chair Wong.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER	CHARLIE CHOI
COUNCILMEMBER	CAROLYN INMON
COUNCILMEMBER	JANET KLEIN
COUNCILMEMBER	DONALD PERDUE
COUNCILMEMBER	SIMA RANJBAR
VICE CHAIR	GRETA JACOBS
CHAIR	PK WONG

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Community Services Superintendent Sheila Driscoll

MOMENT OF SILENCE – Chair Wong, in memory of the Malaysian Airlines victims and their families.

INTRODUCTIONS

Community Services Supervisor Ed Kaleikini introduced Julie Kerns, Office Assistant I working at the Lakeview Senior Center front desk.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Item 2 under Presentations moved to Council Business.

PRESENTATIONS

- 1. Distinguished Service Award

Social Services Supervisor Lynne Conger presented the award to Cindy Murphy, National Charity League-Irvine Chapter volunteer, for her continued and extensive service to the Meals on Wheels program.

- 2. Senior Services Budget Fiscal Year 2014-15

Item moved to Council Business.

- 3. Program Update

Community Services Senior Leader Erica Desselle presented an update on programs and activities at Lakeview and Rancho Senior Centers and provided materials with details.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

(Item moved at request of Chair)

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Inmon, seconded by Councilmember Perdue and carried unanimously, to approve the minutes of a regular meeting held on February 20, 2014.

Ayes: 7 Choi, Inmon, Jacobs, Klein, Perdue, Ranjbar, Wong
 Noes: 0
 Abstentions: 0
 Absent: 0

2. SENIOR SERVICES FISCAL YEAR 2014-15 BUDGET

ACTION: Motion made by Vice Chair Jacobs, seconded by Councilmember Klein and carried unanimously, to recommend City Council approve Fiscal Year 2014-15 Senior Services Budget.

Senior Council discussion included: difference between part-time and extended part-time status; consistency of Special Funds revenues; staffing of the Meals on Wheels program; pros and cons of non-profit status versus City of Irvine program designation.

Ayes:	7	Choi, Inmon, Jacobs, Klein, Perdue, Ranjbar, Wong
Noes:	0	
Abstentions:	0	
Absent:	0	

END COUNCIL BUSINESS

RECESS

Chair Wong recessed the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:10 a.m.

RECONVENE

Chair Wong reconvened the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:30 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Wall of Recognition Honorees

Superintendent Driscoll announced names of honorees as confirmed at the March 11, 2014 City Council meeting. Honorees will be recognized at the May 13, 2014 City Council meeting.

2. Volunteer Recognition Event, April 11, 2014

Supervisor Kaleikini announced the event has been confirmed for April 11, 2014 with an “under the sea” theme.

3. California Parks and Recreation Society Awards

Supervisor Conger announced the following recognitions were made by the California Parks and Recreation Society's (CPRS) Aging and Activities Section at the annual conference in Ontario this month:

- TrueNeighbors Village received the Award of Excellence in the "Creating Community through Partnerships and Collaborations" category.
- Senior Fitness Expo received the Award of Excellence in the "Community Health and Wellness" category.
- Program Coordinator Lydie Gutfeld was recognized as a CPRS Professional Champion.

Supervisor Kaleikini announced that Program Coordinator Gutfeld was also selected to serve as next year's CPRS District 10 President.

4. Nancy Cheng 2013 California Senior Leaders Award

Supervisor Conger announced that Nancy Cheng, Senior Council Emeritus, received the California Senior Leader award from the California Senior Leaders Alliance, University of California Berkeley, School of Public Health.

5. South County Senior Summit, March 21, 2014

Supervisor Conger announced the 7th annual event would be held at Laguna Woods Village on Friday, March 21 from 9 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

6. American Society on Aging Leadership Institute Update

Superintendent Driscoll reported on her attendance at this conference in San Diego from March 11-15, and announced a more thorough presentation will be provided at a future meeting.

7. Senior Council Committee Assignments Update

Superintendent Driscoll reviewed current committee assignments and made adjustments based on calendaring conflicts. A revised list will be distributed, as well as reflected on the Reports section of these minutes.

COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

Chair Wong announced a Chinese cultural photo exhibit entitled “Immigrants Building America” will be held at the Civic Center on April 8.

Councilmember Ranjbar shared information on the traditional customs of the Persian New Year celebration and will provide a formal presentation at a future meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Wong announced Thank You letters were mailed to the following:

- Pacific Life Foundation for a \$10,000 donation
- Friends of Outreach for a \$3,250 donation
- Niveen Tadros for a \$1,000 donation
- Patricia Lee for a \$600 donation

COMMITTEE/GROUP/AGENCY REPORTS

1. Senior Services Support/Interest Groups

A. Irvine Adult Day Health Services

Executive Director Kimberly Beeson reported on current advocacy activity in support of: Assembly Bill 1552, written to preserve the state’s community-based adult services programs beyond the current expiration of August 31, 2014 and; restoration of the Medi-Cal rate for the community-based adult services program. Sample letters of support were provided. The CalOptima Board voted to absorb the 10 percent reductions for adult day health centers serving Medi-Cal participants in Orange County.

B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association

Co-President Wong reported plans are underway for the association’s 25th anniversary celebration in May and a commemorative book is being produced. Board elections will also be held in May.

C. Irvine Multicultural Association (IMA)

Chair Maria Yousef announced the Japanese film on March 3 was very well attended and upcoming events are: Egypt on April 2; Czechoslovakia on May 7; Morocco in June; a very large Japanese event in July. The association will also be installed on the Wall of Recognition.

D. Friends of Outreach (FOO)

Member Maria Yousef reported a Chili's Fundraiser is confirmed for April 9 and fliers were distributed, which are required for the 15 percent proceeds to be returned to FOO. The Bingo marathon raised over \$700. The Crafters will begin selling opportunity drawing tickets on April 1 for a drawing to be held on July 4. FOO is also providing additional scholarships for special services for high need seniors not covered by Special Needs fund. John Rogers received a letter from the United States Marine Corps requesting he make 170,000 of his unique, hand-made, wooden pens.

E. Irvine Senior Travelers – No report.

F. NEDA – Association of Iranian American Seniors – No report.

G. Irvine Korean Evergreen Association

Member Charlie Choi reported the association meets monthly. Line dancing classes are now offered five days a week, and classes will now be offered at Northwood Community Park beginning May 1. The Korean Festival is planned for May 17 at Irvine Civic Center, and options for overflow parking are being researched.

2. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council-Affiliated Committees

A. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council – No report.

B. Health and Nutrition – No report.

C. Housing / Transportation

Vice Chair Jacobs reported on the presentation made by Ellen Burton, Orange County Transportation Authority's Executive Director of External Affairs, and the survey conducted about transportation needs among seniors. Chair Wong reported on land ownership issues in mobile parks. Vice Chair Jacobs reported on the planned 246-unit affordable housing development at the Orange County Great Park location.

D. Legislative

Councilmember Inmon reported on issues related to senior mobile home parks such as change of park ownership, increases in rental rates and non-senior families accepted as renters. An assembly bill has been written and will be moving through legislature to develop a veteran's cemetery in Orange County. Another bill is being developed to mandate that assisted living facilities be inspected every year instead of every five years.

3. Senior Citizens Council Committees

- A. Donor Committee – Meeting scheduled for March 25 at 11 a.m.
- B. Facilities Committee – Meeting scheduled for April 9 at 2 p.m.
- C. Nutrition Committee – Meeting scheduled for April 8.
- D. Leadership Committee – Meeting scheduled for April 3 at 9:15 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

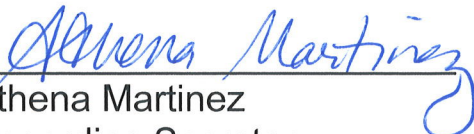
ADJOURNMENT at 11:20 a.m. on Thursday, March 20, 2014.



P K WONG, CHAIR

4-17-14

Date



Athena Martinez
Recording Secretary