



MINUTES

IRVINE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

February 19, 2015

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 February 19, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. at Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, California by Chair Wong.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER	STAN JONES
COUNCILMEMBER	KATHY LEE
COUNCILMEMBER	DONALD PERDUE
VICE CHAIR	GRETA JACOBS
CHAIR	PK WONG

Absent:

COUNCILMEMBER	SIMA RANJBAR
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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Councilmember Lee.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Led by Councilmember Lee in memory of:

- The victims of ISIS
- The passing of Senior Council Emeritus member Thomas R. Murray
- The passing of Mr. Kenneth Wang, husband of Julia Wang, a Hospitality volunteer.

INTRODUCTIONS

Community Services Social Services Supervisor Lynne Conger announced Erika Southerland was recently hired as a Kitchen Assistant II for the nutrition program.

PRESENTATIONS

1. The Distinguished Service Award presentation to Tom and Norita Steward of the Irvine Multicultural Association Film Program will be presented at a future meeting.

2. The Brown Act: An Overview

City Clerk Molly McLaughlin provided a presentation on the Brown Act and responded to Councilmember questions. Discussion included: various committee types; “daisy chain” communications and how to avoid them.

3. Program Update

Community Services Senior Leader Brendan Hall provided updates on programs and upcoming events at Lakeview and Rancho Senior Centers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Senior Council Committee Assignments

Community Services Superintendent Sheila Driscoll announced this item will come before Senior Council after further Brown Act clarification regarding committees. Councilmembers Jones and Ranjbar communicated their interest of serving on the Legislative committee to Chair Wong.

2. Parks and Facilities Master Plan Senior and Equal Access Focus Group

Superintendent Driscoll announced the March meeting will be a special joint meeting with the Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Board as a focus group to discuss the Parks and Facilities Master Plan.

3. O.C. Leadership Forum on Aging, February 20, 2015

Supervisor Conger provided a handout detailing this event inviting all Senior Councilmembers to attend. The Orange County Aging Services Collaborative is a group of 50 non-profit and public, healthcare, and educational institutions that serve in an advocacy roll and provide these coalitions statewide. Two City Council members and Vice Chair Jacobs have confirmed their attendance.

4. Tax Assistance Program

Supervisor Conger distributed a handout detailing tax preparation assistance being offered.

5. Trabuco Center Update

Superintendent Driscoll announced final plans are near completion and will be presented to City Council in the near future. The project timeline will be shared with Senior Council when it is made available. Original estimated opening of September 2015 has been postponed to a possible December 2015 opening.

At this time Massy Alavi, member of NEDA-Association of Iranian American Seniors, announced the Iranian New Year celebration, Nowruz, was scheduled for March 26, 2015 at the Tea Room in Newport Beach from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and extended an invitation to all Senior Councilmembers.

RECESS

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

RECONVENE

Chair Wong reconvened the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:25 a.m.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

Chair Wong provided updates on correspondence sent acknowledging recent donations received.

COMMITTEE/GROUP/AGENCY REPORTS

1. Senior Services Support/Interest Groups

- A. Irvine Adult Day Health Services (IADHS) - Executive Director Kimberly Beeson

Staff is actively working on enrolling waitlisted CBAS clients – nine have been enrolled and 15 are pending. The IADHS Volunteer Recognition event is scheduled for April 10, 2015 and the annual casino night fundraiser is scheduled for October 24, 2015.

- B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association (IECSA) - Co-President PK Wong

Two Chinese New Year celebrations have been planned. The IECSA event for members only is scheduled for February 21, 2015 and the event open to the public will be celebrated on February 25, 2015.

- C. Irvine Multicultural Association (IMA) - Member Greta Jacobs

The February event highlighting China was well attended. The March event will highlight France and the April event will showcase a tour of capital cities. IMA has been invited to UCI for a special event on February 27, 2015.

- D. Friends of Outreach (FOO) - President Kathleen Pfeiffer

Sandy Longobarde, a Medicare education specialist with Memorial Care, has taken a special interest in the Bingo program and has provided generous gifts and prizes for the winning players. Thank you to the Senior Travelers Club for their donation of refreshments at a recent Bingo event. Thanks were also extended to Chair Wong for his assistance with photography services at the 30th anniversary celebration.

- E. Irvine Senior Travelers - Representative Natalie Chaikin

The travel show was very well attended. Funds raised will be prepared as a donation to Senior Services programs. Day excursions and extended trips that are not selling are being canceled quickly to focus on the popular events, which is making the program more efficient.

- F. NEDA – Association of Iranian American Seniors

Member Massy Alavi provided her report prior to the recess.

- G. Irvine Korean Evergreen Association – Member Dr. David Kim

IKEA has grown to 48 active members and is building unity through weekly Tuesday Morning Socials. IKEA is working to develop more programs and currently offers four classes; computers, sing-a-long, calligraphy and viewing stones. Challenge is finding space to accommodate additional programs.

2. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council-Affiliated Committees

A. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council

Vice Chair Jacobs reported a presentation was given about the SeniorServ program and the Care Circles program and recommended this be scheduled for a presentation at a future Senior Council meeting.

B. Health and Nutrition

Vice Chair Jacobs reported on SeniorServ program challenges and opportunities in Orange County discussed at the meeting.

C. Housing and Transportation

No report.

D. Legislative

No report.

3. Senior Citizens Council Committees

A. Donor Committee

Supervisor Conger announced this Committee has been dissolved and thanked FOO for their generous support through the years, most recently the \$20,000 donated to Senior Services and \$10,000 donated to IADHS, commemorating FOO's 30 year anniversary.

B. Facilities Committee

Councilmember Perdue read excerpts of the Senior Council Bylaws regarding advisory capacity and the need for the Committee to be well informed to more efficiently and effectively advise and make recommendations. Committee has developed a project matrix list. The kitchen remodel at Rancho Senior Center is near completion. Donor Wall has a budget of \$10,000 and Committee is discussing how to minimize expense by working to enhance existing wall. Staff is researching if re-allocation of unexpended funds is allowed. City is waiting for additional input from Committee on patio project at Lakeview Senior Center, and Committee recommendation is to

change this from a Community Services project to a Public Works project, with more of a park improvement focus. The shade structure project at Rancho Senior Center is moving forward. The Committee and staff are meeting with a vendor regarding the lighting and sound issue in the auditorium at Lakeview Senior Center. A study is being done on the drainage issues in the patio at Lakeview Senior Center. A timetable of CIP projects and scopes was requested of staff. Process for work orders has been more clearly defined. Vice Chair Jacobs reported on electrical outlet issues in the dining room at Lakeview Senior Center and at IADHS. Committee is recommending the purchase of patio furniture for Lakeview Senior Center if shade structure funds can be re-allocated. Chair Wong reported the meeting rooms at Lakeview Senior Center should be numbered to be more easily located by patrons seeking a class or function.

C. Nutrition Committee

No report.

D. Leadership Committee

No report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Natalie Chaikin –

Regarding the luncheon held in February, sponsored by Kelly Blue Book with a fee of \$5, what did the company get or give to be a sponsor? Staff responded the luncheon was a community service effort and volunteers served seniors. The suggested donation of \$5 was voluntary and not required.

A second luncheon was also held in February, sponsored by the National Charity League. Both events were very enjoyable.

Xiomara Hiller-

Is a resident of The Groves and attended a past Senior Council meeting to address attracting the younger senior and suggests developing an interactive website for tech-savvy seniors to access senior center facilities or to be able to remotely view classes offered.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Vice Chair Jacobs, seconded by Councilmember Perdue and carried unanimously to approve the minutes, as amended, of a regular meeting held on January 15, 2015.

Ayes: 5 Jacobs, Jones, Lee, Perdue, Wong

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Ranjbar

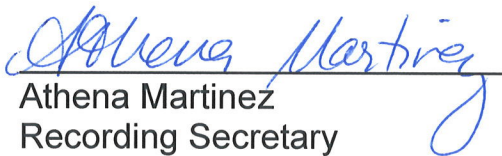
COUNCIL BUSINESS

There were no scheduled Business items.


ADJOURNMENT at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 19, 2015.



P.K. WONG, CHAIR



Athena Martinez
Recording Secretary



Date