

MINUTES

IRVINE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

October 15, 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 October 15, 2015, 9:02 a.m. at Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, California; Chair Wong presiding.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER

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VICE CHAIR

CHAIR

* Left at 11 a.m.

STAN JONES

KATHY LEE*

DONALD PERDUE

SIMA RANJBAR

GRETA JACOBS

PK WONG

ABSENT

COUNCILMEMBER

BETTY JO WOOLLETT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Ranjbar led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

INTRODUCTIONS

1. Nikki Barrett, Community Services Outreach Assistant

Social Services Supervisor Lynne Conger announced the appointment of Nikki Barrett as Care Manager.

2. Laurie Hoffman, Community Services Director

Community Services Superintendent Sheila Driscoll introduced new Community Services Director Laurie Hoffman.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Distinguished Service Award - Kathleen Pfeiffer, Friends of Outreach

Supervisor Conger announced recipient was not able to attend and award will be presented at a future Friends of Outreach Board Meeting.

2. Orange County Great Park (OCGP) Update

Great Park Planning and Development Manager Pete Carmichael provided a PowerPoint presentation on OCGP project updates and responded to Senior Council inquiries.

Discussion included: management and maintenance of proposed golf course; future housing developments planned; plant pallet for Bosque area; water features planned for the 688 acres; solar opportunities for buildings and parking; items that are considered "state of the art"; proposed uses for or in Cultural Terrace; types of senior-friendly amenities to be included.

3. Program Update

Community Services Program Coordinator Amber Castrey provided updates on programs and upcoming events at Lakeview and Rancho Senior Centers.

RECESS

Chair Wong recessed the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:13 a.m.

RECONVENE

Chair Wong reconvened the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:31 a.m.

At this time Supervisor Kaleikini led the group in an earthquake drill for National Shake Out day, followed by an informational video on what to do in the case of an earthquake.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carlos Carney of Business Exchange invited Senior Council Members to the Irvine Community Thanksgiving Prayer Breakfast on November 19 and distributed a flier.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Irvine Senior Citizens Council Member-at-Large Selections

Supervisor Kaleikini announced Carolyn Inmon and Gary Yates were selected as the new Members-at-Large and will begin their two-year terms on November 19, 2015.

2. Medicare Open Enrollment

Supervisor Conger distributed a flier regarding the Medicare Open Enrollment.

3. Ambassador Program

Supervisor Kaleikini reported a draft mission statement is in review and responsibilities and activities are being discussed. Recruitment and training of Ambassadors will be done approximately March through May of 2016, with anticipated program implementation of June/July 2016.

4. Senior Council Holiday Party

Superintendent Driscoll announced an informal Senior Council gathering will be scheduled for Thursday, December 17 from 9-11 a.m. at Lakeview Senior Center.

5. Senior Services Holiday Events

Supervisor Kaleikini reiterated December events as reviewed during Program Update. A new citywide holiday event is being planned for December 6, 2015 from 5-8 p.m. at the Civic Center to include a tree lighting ceremony.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

Councilmember Ranjbar suggested implementing new classes on spiritual growth at the senior centers, such as meditations and poem readings.

COMMITTEE/GROUP/AGENCY REPORTS

1. Senior Services Support/Interest Groups

- A. Irvine Adult Day Health Services (IADHS) No report.
- B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association (IECSA)

Co-President PK Wong reported September included the Moon Cake Festival celebration and 17 new members joined IECSA. The October 17 program will include a performance by a harmonica group. Co-President Wong also shared the passing of Chairman Cheng.

C. Irvine Multicultural Association (IMA)

Chair Maria Yousef reported Diwali is scheduled for November 6, a Twilight Holiday Social in collaboration with Senior Services is planned for December 16, and the new year will begin with a film on January 6, 2016.

D. Friends of Outreach (FOO)

Member Yousef reported the International Crafters and the Bingo program are doing well. The International Crafters Boutique is open each Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. FOO is preparing for the December 2 holiday gift bag distribution and soliciting donations.

- E. Irvine Senior Travelers No report.
- F. NEDA Association of Iranian American Seniors No report.
- G. Irvine Korean Evergreen Association No report.

2. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council-Affiliated Committees

A. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council

Councilmember Ranjbar reported a presentation was made on the vision impaired senior and the issues they face due to lack of sight.

- B. Health and Nutrition No report.
- C. Housing and Transportation

Meeting attendee Barbara Collins, from the CalOptima PACE Program, reported a presentation was made on Mercy House.

D. Legislative – No report.

3. Senior Citizens Council Committees

A. Facilities Committee

Supervisor Kaleikini reported:

- Rancho Senior Center parking lot resurfacing has been completed.
- Rancho Senior Center awning is being replaced.
- Quotes are being obtained for a new treadmill at the Rancho Senior Center.
- Handrail from Lakeview Senior Center café to rose garden has been raised and extended. Handrail on ramp to be completed by end of October/early November.
- Offensive odor in gulch area was identified as leaf droppings from shrubbery that would rot when wet or moist. Recommendations have been made for removal of shrub, to be replaced with other foliage.
- Condensers at Lakeview Senior Center will be replaced in January.
- Naming of Trabuco Center will not be affected by the Orange County Great Park Board's recommendation to change the name of Trabuco Road to Great Park Boulevard.

B. Nutrition Committee

Supervisor Conger announced the appointment of Cheryl Hanna has the new Irvine Meals on Wheels Senior Leader.

C. Leadership Committee

Program Coordinator Castrey reported meeting focus was on Irvine Global Village Festival recap and various group announcements.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Perdue, seconded by Vice Chair Jacobs and unanimously carried by those members present to approve the minutes of a regular meeting held on September 17, 2015.

Ayes:

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Jacobs, Jones, Perdue, Ranjbar, Wong

Noes:

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Absent:

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Lee, Woollett

ADJOURNMENT at 11:25 a.m. on Thursday, October 15, 2015.

PK WONG, CHAIR

Athena Martinez

Recording Secretary

Date