



MINUTES

IRVINE SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 18, 2018

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 18, 2018, 9:03 AM at Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, California; Vice Chair Ranjbar presiding.

ROLL CALL

COUNCILMEMBER	STAN JONES	Council Appointee: Schott
COUNCILMEMBER	JUNEU KIM	Council Appointee: Fox
COUNCILMEMBER	RACHEL OWENS	Council Appointee: Wagner
VICE CHAIR	SIMA RANJBAR	Council Appointee: Shea

ABSENT

COUNCILMEMBER	KEVIN KONDRU	Member-at-Large
COUNCILMEMBER	BETTY JO WOOLLETT	Council Appointee: Lalloway
CHAIR	CAROLYN INMON	Member-at-Large

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Senior Council Member Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

1. Community Services Superintendent Sandra Salcedo introduced Denise Bennett-Arabatzis as the new Community Services Supervisor, overseeing Nutrition and Outreach programs.

2. Community Services Supervisor Ed Kaleikini announced the following new staff:
 - Pacal Cornejo Reynoso, Leader III EPT in Facilities
 - Izhar Islas, Leader II PT, in Facilities
 - Deanna Munoz, Leader II PT, in Facilities
 - Roxanne Sanchez, Leader III EPT, Volunteer Services

PRESENTATIONS

1. Distinguished Service Award

Senior Council Member Kim presented this award to Marvin Li, Irvine Korean Evergreen Association Intern, for his dedicated service as an intern and assistance provided in updating the Senior Services Strategic Plan Resource Guide.

2. Great ShakeOut

Supervisor Kaleikini provided a presentation on the annual National event and provided a handout of information on what to do during an earthquake.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Superintendent Salcedo made the following announcements:

- The annual Trick or Treat event will be held at the Lakeview Senior Center on Friday, October 26 from 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- The Irvine Police Department Open House will be held on Saturday, October 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will feature tours of the department, opportunities to meet officers, K-9s and the mounted unit. The event will include displays of patrol cars, motorcycles, and other police vehicles, child-friendly activities and food trucks. A handout was distributed.
- The annual Veterans Day Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, November 11 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Colonel Bill Barber Marine Corp Memorial Park. This event is free and open to the public. Rack cards were distributed.
- The annual Holiday Toy Drive will begin November 5 and run through December 14, benefitting the families of Irvine's adopted 2/11 Marine Battalion. Donated toys can be dropped off at designated bins located at the Irvine Civic Center, the Irvine Police Department, and the Orange County Great Park Visitor Center during each location's normal business hours. A handout was distributed.

- Copies of the Adult Protective Services Scam Pyramid Chart are now available in the Keen Center for Senior Resources.
- November will be the last official meeting for Senior Council Members Jones and Woollett. The City is grateful for their service on the Senior Council and they will be missed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jolene Finn, Adult Services Librarian with Orange County Public Libraries, shared information about the newly formed Senior Services Committee of the Orange County Public Libraries. There are three County libraries in Irvine and the Committee is interested in comments or suggestions from the senior community on desired events and services that should be offered. Some goals of the Committee are to offer informational speaker series, social events, and a redesign of the website to make more accessible to seniors. Additional information can be found at www.ocpl.org.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

COUNCILMEMBER UPDATES

There were no Senior Council Member Updates.

COMMITTEE/GROUP/AGENCY REPORTS

1. Senior Services Support/Interest Groups

A. Irvine Adult Day Health Services (IADHS)

Executive Director Kimberly Beeson reported the annual IADHS casino night fundraiser was a success, raising nearly \$95,000. The 2019 event will incorporate IADHS' 25th anniversary. A General Opportunity Grant of \$2,500 was recently received. IADHS will participate in the Trick or Treat event on October 26. Two new scholarship applications have been received and a meeting will be held next week to review. Thank you to Friends of Outreach for contributions to the scholarship program. IADHS is averaging 50 participants daily, and two days of the week are at capacity with 60 participants.

B. Irvine Evergreen Chinese Senior Association (IECSA)

Director Jerry Chang reported the monthly IECSA meeting will be held on October 20 and will include: cultural music and dance; afternoon program offering classes in Chinese painting, English learning, and current event discussions; and a lecture on Medicare Open Enrollment. Membership renewals are being accepted through December, and 40 applications for new memberships have been received, bringing IECSA membership close to 300. IECSA will celebrate its 30th anniversary in 2019 and plans for a celebration are underway.

C. Friends of Outreach (FOO)

President Pat Hendee reported the following:

Bingo:

- Program is averaging \$500 per week
- Possible new volunteer

International Crafters:

- Have completed 200 pieces each of scarves, coasters and placemats for the holiday gift bags
- Will offer an opportunity drawing at the November 16 Thanksgiving Luncheon
- Researching the purchase of a heavy-duty sewing machine

Fundraisers:

- Working with Stonefire Grill to arrange a fundraising event in February 2019
- Have opted not to participate in the 2019 Irvine Global Village Festival

Other:

- Demand for the Ride with 24 program continues to grow and FOO has increased contributions to the program to increase program services
- A celebration of life event will be held at Lakeview Senior Center on December 1 in memory of Erich Pfeiffer.

D. Irvine Senior Travelers

Representative Natalie Chaikin reported plans for 2019 excursions and day trips are well under way. The Travel Expo will be held on February 8, 2019. Holiday excursions are quickly selling out and waitlists have

started. A day trip to Palm Springs is planned for February 20, 2019 to see a musical tribute show. Senior Travelers has a new Treasurer, Audrey McGillicuddy, and the annual donation to IADHS has been made.

E. NEDA-Association of Iranian American Seniors (NEDA)

Public Relations Officer Zahra Fathi reported since the new NEDA Board formed in 2017, NEDA has seen many changes. Interest in monthly meetings has grown, requiring moving to a larger room to accommodate attendance. Memberships have increased with interest in new programs being offered. Thursday morning meetings include poetry readings and vocal performances. The August meeting included a speaker presenting on the importance of registering to vote. English learning classes now offer instruction using music and stories, leading to more engaged learning. The “In Circle” program promotes socialization and support among members through friendly calls made to members of the group. NEDA will begin planning day excursions to local museums featuring Persian artists and exhibitions. The October 18 meeting will feature a presentation by a celebrated author. The NEDA Board is grateful to staff for assistance and accommodating NEDA’s growth at Lakeview Senior Center, and for the City’s continued support.

F. Irvine Korean Evergreen Association (IKEA)

President Juneu Kim reported as IKEA President, he endeavors to work in support of the Senior Services Strategic Plan’s priority objectives. IKEA does not offer large events featuring entertainment as IKEA’s focus is on social services, such as low-income housing and transportation.

RECESS

Vice Chair Ranjbar recessed the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:17 a.m.

RECONVENE

Vice Chair Ranjbar reconvened the Senior Citizens Council meeting at 10:29 a.m.

2. Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council-Affiliated Committees

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

B. Health and Nutrition

Senior Council Member Jones reported Linda Cardoza, Manager of the Orange County Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program (HICAP) provided an overview of new information for the Medicare Open Enrollment season, occurring November 15 through December 7. Booklets have been mailed to homes, and Irvine seniors have received Orange County specific information. Informational open enrollment sessions will be offered at Lakeview Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on November 7 and November 28.

C. Housing and Transportation

Senior Council Member Kim reported Joanne Jacobsen, Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Community Transportation Coordinator, presented on the Senior Mobility Program. Thirty-one cities participate in this program and receive funds for transportation services. The Mobility Management Program provides riders assistance accessing public transportation, and the Orange County Access Program is a shared ride, curb-to-curb program offered to eligible participants. On October 15, OCTA introduced the new Flex Program, which is an on demand service offering unlimited local rides for \$5 per day in parts of Huntington Beach and Westminster. A handout was distributed.

D. Legislative – No report.

3. Senior Citizens Council Committees

A. Facilities Committee – No report.

B. Leadership Committee – No report.

C. Nutrition Committee – No report.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Senior Council Member Owens, seconded by Senior Council Member Jones, and carried unanimously by members present to approve the minutes of a regular meeting held on September 20, 2018.

Ayes: 4 Jones, Kim, Owens, Ranjbar
Noes:
Absent: 3 Inmon, Kondru, Woollett

2. SENIOR SERVICES STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE GOALS

Community Services Manager Sheila Driscoll presented the item.

Discussion included: listing goal areas in priority or alphabetical order; importance of educating seniors in all areas of the Plan Update; referencing "Education" as a tool for the remaining four goals; Plan Update timeline.

ACTION: Discussed Senior Services Strategic Plan Update priority areas.

END COUNCIL BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT at 11:11 a.m. on Thursday, October 18, 2018.

Carolyn Inmon for
SIMA RANJBAR, VICE CHAIR

Athena Martinez
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Recording Secretary

November 15, 2018
Date