Manhattan Beach Senior Advisory Committee 1:00 pm May 09, 2017

MINUTES

Members Present: Steve DeBaets, Diane Campisi, Dayle Eisenhauer, Kate Nelson, Kathleen Galvin, Karen Russo (Senior Resource Committee), Betty Young (Joslyn Senior Club) Ken Thompson (Manhattan

Heights Senior Club), Marcia Gelfand.

City Council Representative: Nancy Hersman Parks & Recreation Commissioner: Sue Allard Parks & Recreation Staff: Jan Buike, Eve Kelso

Visitors: Wayne Powell

PRIORITY ACTION ITEMS

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Chair Steve DeBaets. Following the Flag Salute the minutes of the March 14 meeting and the agenda for this April 11 meeting move to approve, Diane Campisi seconded by Marcia Gelfand, unanimous.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT: Nancy Hersman, Council Liaison to SAC reported they selected new Culltural Arts and Library commissioners and approved Gelson's project unanimously after public comments hearing, which concluded at 1 a.m. Council's 2nd Budget meeting coming up May 30th.

SCOUT HOUSE UPDATE: Steve Debaets reported that the team is working with Campaign Director Lindsay Blok to achieve December MOU deadline. Hoping City Council can work to agree on any outstanding issues. The posted banner on building might be improved.

DOWNTOWNER PILOT PROGRAM UPDATE: Downtowner program representative will be present to answer any question at the upcoming Health Fair. Program is well liked in the community and extended services are anticipated yet final conclusions on if the pilot program is viable has yet to be determined.

INTERGENERATIONAL DOCUMENTARY SERIES: Scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Saturdays in August. Reed Eisenhauer to be the first facilitator. Still seeking future facilitators. Adela has approved videos for discussion topics. There will be guided discussion following the video. If the program is successful the plan is to extend invitations to high schoolers and have intergenerational viewings and discussions.

OPEN HOUSE EVENT: Highlighting Senior programs. Venue specifics still in development. Planning continues for a September/October event.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

MARKETING: The speaker series which replaced OLLI is recruiting potential speakers. Proposal to get additional days and times, say Thursday early evening when a very desirable speaker is available. Need flexibility as speakers may be unavailable for Friday mornings. The question surfaced over Seniors ability to attend at that time. As with most efforts an ideal balance is still being sought, including opening up to other age groups.

PARTNERSHIPS: The Manhattan Beach Rotary Club's Rotary Cares program is a good example, rehabbing senior's homes. Questions still arise over what are value added partnerships. Discussion led to invite Cultural Arts arm of Parks and Rec. to help SAC better coordinate Senior services. An example given was the lack of communication between divisions regarding the Older Adult Art Show. Many

aspects and services overlap and could benefit from a broader combined overall city effort. Scouts were asked what intergenerational teachings might you like? Answers were woodshop, cooking, sewing, essentially classes cut at Mira Costa.

Friday, April 28 was the second of the music series "A Decade of Music for Everyone! Our 1960's" funded by SAC. It was a complete success with 100 in attendance, an additional event is scheduled.

TECHNOLOGY: Classes continue to be popular. Thirty-Nine people present in recent class underscored Wi Fi becoming a limiting factor at 20 people. An Apple Store "field trip" will introduce Seniors to the store in an effort to highlight store features and reduce intimidation of this modern business model and train on iCloud. Trip is Thursday June 15th, 8:30am-10am. Make reservations through Older Adult Reservation line. City website issues still need work. Google search still better than City web search.

REPORTS BY STAFF

Eve Kelso presented survey results data for Dial A Ride program. Program continues to enjoy strong customer support. Health Fair Friday May 18 might be an excellent place to discuss with Neighborhood Watch groups on simple help ideas for house bound seniors, taking trash to curb, mail handling etc. 3 SAC members term up. Accepting applicants via previously used form. Sit on interview panel. Will conduct process June 6th at lunch, start 11:30. Poetry circle will present the movie Paterson, rated R, May 13. Monday May 22 Mark Vasquez blood drive at the Joslyn Center. Thursday May 25th Dine 'n Discover is a presentation on insurance fraud. Sharing Memories, a new Alzheimer's group for families is going well. A three day bus excursion to include a casino stop, a play and visit to Zion National Park is planned for fall.

CLUBS, SRC, AT-LARGE MEMBERS AND P&R COMMISSIONER

JOSLYN: Club is going well. New newsletter developed. July picnic planned. Donations ongoing.

MANHATTAN HEIGHTS: Trial period of combining business meeting, potluck luncheon and bingo on 2nd

Friday instead of Monday working well. 2 Yoga classes now conducted at Heights.

SRC: Be my Guest card with MBUSD features reviewed. Music programs noted as being beneficial for those with Alzheimer's. The By Heart singing group encourages participation by those with dementia. There is also a program using iPods.

P&R Commissioner: Sue Allard reported seeking long term goals ideas from all sources for 5 year planning purposes.

ACTION ITEMS/PRIORITY NEXT MEETING

Election of new SAC members Scout House/Fundraiser Technology Update Marketing Efforts

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2017 at 1:00 pm at the Joslyn Center.

Respectfully submitted by Kenneth Thompson