

**Minutes of the  
North Mesa Senior Recreation Center Advisory Board  
Held at North Mesa Senior Recreation Center  
Regular Meeting  
1112 N. Mesa  
Wednesday, March 8, 2017**

**Voting Members Present:**

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| Sally Garner   | Chairperson      |
| Jean Loafman   | Vice-Chairperson |
| Sonny Adcock   | Board Member     |
| Beth Frederick | Board Member     |
| Ysidro Molinar | Board Member     |
| Helen DeAnda   | Board Member     |

**Voting Members Absent:**

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| Jigger Skillern | Board Member |
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**Board Secretary Present:**

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| Dina Navarrette | Center Manager |
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**Others Present:**

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| Lola Collier     | Member |
| Kat Jordan       | Member |
| Dolores Reynolds | Member |
| Sandy Geries     | Member |
| Candy Westrich   | Member |
| Linda Servold    | Member |
| Beverly Spencer  | Member |

**1. ROLL CALL OF VOTING MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

Roll call of those present was taken at 3:00 p.m. by Sally Garner. It was determined that a quorum was present.

**2. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Jean Loafman and seconded by Ysidro Molinar to approve the March 8, 2017 agenda. The vote was as follows:

Yes – Ysidro Molinar, Sonny Adcock, Jean Loafman, Beth Frederick, Helen DeAnda, Sally Garner

No –

Absent – Jigger Skillern

**3. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 8<sup>TH</sup> MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made by Ysidro Molinar and seconded by Beth Frederick to approve the February 8, 2017 meeting minutes. The vote was as follows:

Yes – Ysidro Molinar, Sonny Adcock, Jean Loafman, Beth Frederick, Helen DeAnda, Sally Garner

No –

Absent – Jigger Skillern

#### **4. DISCUSS FY 2016-2017 AND 2017-2018 BUDGET**

Dina commented she was disappointed that all of the board members were not present to learn about the budget process, and also receive insight on what the budget will look like for this coming year. Dina also stressed to board members that anytime they have any questions regarding the budget or purchases or changes they see being made at the center they are more than welcome to come speak to her privately or include a topic on the board agenda for discussion.

It was brought to Dina's attention that some members felt that she could have been fixing the auditorium flooring rather than using the budget funds this year on other purchases. Dina explained that she did request money to cover the flooring last year, which was denied. The glue used to tile the floor contains asbestos, so encasing the flooring, rather than remediation is a more viable option. The cost will be around \$26,000, which makes it a capital expenditure. Candy Westrich asked if the funds to fix the flooring in the auditorium can be resubmitted. Dina responded that she has already submitted her request for flooring in the upcoming fiscal year 2017-2018 budget. Sally Garner asked about asbestos exposure with tiles chipping and coming loose, Dina reassured them that the glue, which is what is covering the asbestos, is still tacky and intact so exposure should not happen from normal use, and as soon as we notice a tile that is loose or chipped we paint over the area to help keep the asbestos encased in the glue.

Dina showed the board members the budget that she has been working on for this year, and explained the beginning balance, as well as what line items were already in place when she took over as manager of the center. She went over how money can be moved from one account to another within a budget, but only if approved. An example of this is the city is requiring all of its facilities to upgrade to LED lighting to help with utility costs. At our facility, the previous manager had the indoor lighting changed to LED, but the outdoor lighting still needed to be updated, so Dina had that done with this year's budget. The cost of the upgrade was less than originally quoted last year, which made it fall below the amount to qualify it as a capital outlay, so money was moved to the materials and supplies line item to cover that cost, but the money was still spent on the element it was budgeted for.

TDS will be installing a new phone system as well as upgrading our internet to better accommodate our members. Ysidro Molinar asked about money left over from the budget, if it could be saved for future use. Dina explained that what isn't spent goes back to the city's general fund, so it's important to purchase what we need when we have the money to avoid losing it. There are many small items in our facility that need to be updated or upgraded so there is never a lack of what to spend the budget on, it's more a matter of prioritizing the use of the funds. Dina had money allocated to update our plumbing during the current budget cycle. She planned to have the plumbing worked on this year, but an issue with our fire alarm system had to be addressed immediately so the money set aside for plumbing was spent on the fire alarm system mandated by the fire marshal instead.

## **5. DISCUSS WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY GROUPS**

Since our last board meeting; several bands have decided not to play here at NMSRC. However the band we largely had the volume issues with has decided to stay and play at the center. Dina and staff continue to monitor the volume and feel that it is being played at an acceptable level for all of members to enjoy the facility. Staff has been approached by a few members saying the music is much better; however, there were a couple of bridge players who commented to staff that they feel the music is still too loud. Several discussions with the bands and the dance committee have revealed that the bands are quitting because of the lack of donations to cover travel costs. Sally Garner said that Jigger Skillern told her that due to the bands quitting, we are losing 140 people over the course of 3 dances, including duplicate members in attendance, and she wanted to know where that number came from. Sally also commented that she has heard rumors that the dancers are getting together a petition for Dina's dismissal from her position as manager. Dina said she didn't know where the number of 140 came from, since we don't have near that many attending the dances each week. As for her resignation or dismissal, she has not been informed by city hall about a petition. Ysidro Molinar commented that a lot of people just don't like change, and he also thinks the fact that Dina's color could also play a factor as a lot of people don't feel like a minority should be in a position of power. He encouraged the board members and guests to go to city hall to show their support for Dina, to which all of the guests at the meeting said they had already done so recently. Sally Garner commented that Dina has made a lot of positive changes at the center, and every decision she makes shouldn't be questioned. Dina said that her door is always open to people and if she's ever given the impression otherwise, she wanted to apologize because she welcomes suggestions and ideas from members. Candy Westrich said that she's a very easily intimidated person and even she feels comfortable talking to Dina about any problem or issue.

## **6. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER UPDATES TO ALL FORMS AT NMSRC**

Dina suggested tabling the updates for the forms for the next meeting since it will take a lot of time to go over the forms. A motion was made by Ysidro Molinar and seconded by Beth Frederick to table the discussion and consider updates to all forms at NMSRC at the next meeting. The vote was as follows:

Yes – Ysidro Molinar, Sonny Adcock, Jean Loafman, Beth Frederick, Helen DeAnda, Sally Garner

No –

Absent – Jigger Skillern

## **7. UPDATE ON NMSRC ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

We had to cancel a pool tournament because people did not sign up in time. We set a deadline for signing up, because we've had players come the hour prior to the tournament and want to play which does not allow staff sufficient time to prepare for it. The garage sale is scheduled for March 25<sup>th</sup> and we have just a few tables left for that. Last year the sale wasn't as good as the year prior, but we didn't advertise as much and also several churches and other large sales were happening on the same day. This year we will be advertising more, so hopefully we will have a very successful event.

**8. ANNOUNCE NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME**

The next board meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made at 4:40 p.m. by Ysidro Molinar and seconded by Sonny Adcock to adjourn the meeting. The vote was as follows:

Yes – Ysidro Molinar, Sonny Adcock, Jean Loafman, Beth Frederick, Helen DeAnda, Sally Garner

No –

Absent – Jigger Skillern

Minutes approved on behalf of the North Mesa Senior Recreation Center Advisory Board:

*Sally Garner*

Sally Garner, Chairperson

*5/10/2017*

Date