Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Alejandro Ruiz Senior Center Advisory Board Held at the Alejandro Ruiz Senior Center 120 Kircher Street On September 6, 2023

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Pat Jones Chairperson
Jim Grantner Vice Chairperson
Liz Gordy Board Member
Julia Williams Board Member

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

Tony Hernandez Board Member

OTHERS PRESENT:

Robert Echavarria Guest

Angie Barrios-Testa Director of Municipal Services & Capital Programs

Amparo C. Vasquez Alejandro Ruiz Senior Center Manager

Corina Yrigollen Alejandro Ruiz Senior Center Assistant Manager

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:

None.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dale Janway Mayor

John Lowe City Administrator

1. ROLL CALL OF VOTING MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:

Roll call of those present was taken by Pat Jones, Chairperson. It was determined that a quorum was present. The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2023:

After a review of the September 6, 2023 Agenda, J. Grantner moved that the Agenda be approved and was seconded by J. Williams.

The vote was as follows: Yes: P. Jones, J. Grantner, L. Gordy and J. Williams.

No: None. The motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 2, 2023 REGULAR MEETING:

The motion was made by J. Grantner and seconded by L. Gordy that the Minutes of the August 2, 2023 Meeting be approved.

The vote was as follows: Yes: P. Jones, J. Grantner, L. Gordy and J. Williams.

No: None. The motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2023 CALENDAR OF WEEKLY ACTIVITES:

Mealsite serving Daily Meals from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

CCVN Advisory Board Meeting – 1st Monday of the month

Alejandro Ruiz Center Advisory Board Meeting – 1st Wednesday of the month

Line Dancing: Monday and Thursday from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Exercise Room: Monday through Friday from 7 am to 5 pm

Chair Aerobics/Chair Yoga: Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 am to 11 am

Healing Yoga: Mondays and Fridays from 11 am to 12 pm

Pool Players: Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm

Coloring: Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm

Tuesday Afternoon Bingo: Tuesday from 1 pm to 4 pm

Blood Pressure Checks: Thursday 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Quilters/Sewing: Thursdays from 8 am to 5 pm

Loteria (Mexican Bingo): Tuesday from 10 am to 11 am

The Jammers Music Group: Every Thursday from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Crafts: Thursday from 8 am to 5 pm Computer Classes: by appointment

A motion was made to approve the September 2023 calendar of weekly activities by J. Williams and seconded by L. Gordy.

The vote was as follows: Yes: P. Jones, J. Grantner, L. Gordy and J. Williams.

No: None. The motion carried.

5. MONTHLY REPORT FOR AUGUST 2023:

Ms. Vasquez reported that the total number of patrons served for the month of August 2023 was 3,928, this includes seventeen new members.

6. MANAGER'S REPORT:

Ms. Vasquez reported the following:

During the month of August:

The Mega Bingo was held on the 1st. The ARSC Advisory Board regular meeting met on the 2nd. The Age Friendly Committee monthly meeting was held on the 2nd. The CCVN Advisory Board met on the 7th. The North Mesa Senior Center Country Gold Line Dancers hosted an Instructors Workshop at our Center on the 11th and 12th. The CCVN hosted the annual Recognition Dinner on the 17th. The monthly evening dance was on the 25th from 6 pm to 9:30 pm. The August birthdays were celebrated on the 31st.

Upcoming Events for September:

The Center and the Meal Site were closed on the 4th in observance of the Labor Day holiday. The CCVN Advisory Board Monthly Meeting was cancelled as it fell on the Labor Day holiday. The ARSC Advisory Board regular meeting met on the 6th. The Age Friendly Committee monthly meeting scheduled for September 6th was cancelled. The Age Friendly Ruidoso Casino Trip is scheduled for the 8th. The Albertson's Pharmacy will be administering Flu Shots on the 13th commencing at 10:00 a.m. Numerous Lakeview Christian Home and River Bend residents have expressed an interest in the Alejandro Ruiz Senior Center. They will be touring our Center and will have lunch here on the 14th. We will host a September 16th, Mexican Independence Day Celebration on the 15th with music and refreshments. A CPR/First Aid Class for the Center Staff is scheduled on the 21st. Our Evening Dance is scheduled for the 22nd. The September birthdays will be celebrated on September 29th.

7. ANGIE BARRIOS-TESTA, DIRECTOR OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND CAPITAL PROGRAMS, MONTHLY REPORT:

Mrs. Testa reported the following:

We are waiting on the final work to be completed on the parking lot and roof. The Change Orders have been submitted for the remainder of the work that needs to be done.

We are waiting on grant monies to be utilized for vehicles for the meal site.

We are waiting for grant agreements for Phases 2 and 3.

Items ordered for the Center through small grants are due by June 30, 2024.

She is also working on an application for grant monies through the CDBG. The application is due on September 30, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, Chairperson Pat Jones declared the Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Pat Jones, Chairperson