Glendale Heights Center for Senior Citizens
Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 23, 2018
Minutes

PRESENT:
Deb McKenzie
Leona Breede
Bimla Gupta
Lavonna Hawkins
Karyn Hilborn
Mary Schroeder
Joanne Soo
Joe Toma
Guest: Ken Olichal, representative from Illinois Representative Deb Conroy’s office

The meeting was called to order at 8:30am. The minutes from April 24, 2018 meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Staff
Deb reported that they are interviewing applicants with computer skills (being tested before interviews) for two part-time positions as customer service associates to replace Tabitha and Katelyn.

Salon
The salon has 198 regular clients as of April 30, 2018, the end of the fiscal year. A regular client is considered one who comes at least once a month. The local salon that is closing in June will hopefully bring more customers to our salon. Jennifer will increase her hours is need be. All tips given by customers go to the miscellaneous Senior Center fund.

Bus Schedule
The bus is at capacity with the old bus now. The big bus has not been completely repaired yet. We anticipate return next week of the big bus. There was a discussion regarding sizes of buses and need for specifics licenses to drive them. The group inquired if bus can be bought for the most economical rate or if there is a specific place where the bus gets gas every time. It is a specific station.

Line Dancing
There is no new instructor but Debbie has met with the Fred Astaire studio staff and will follow up by June 1 if he doesn’t contact back by then.

Trips
Schaumburg Flyers and Kane County Cougars games with Grandchildren are in the schedule again.
The rates are really good to see these two teams play.

Other Trips
Debbie talked to travel agents, other Senior Centers regarding cost and minimum amount of people for programs and trips. Minimums are an issue at times. Debbie spoke with Oswego and Hanover Township regarding partnering. Hanover Township is so big that Glendale Heights residents are usually on a waiting list.
Leona explained the Burr Ridge trips to Starved Rock and gave Jeannine the information to follow up on with them for a possible trip for our center. There were several different programs. The group discussed the costliness of the big bus.

Utility Rebate
208 residents applied for the rebate in 2018. This is very good because no one was able to go the Shorewood Towers to assist them. The number was without their count.

AARP Tax Returns
120 tax returns were done from February – April. Dates busy every day. Very good response.

Four Winds Casino Trip –
A survey was given out to the participants of this trip to get their response to their experience on the trip. We want to go back if response is positive.
The group discussed the difference in the Bloomingdale Senior Center price for casino trips. They are subsidized by the Bloomingdale Foundation to reach minimums and keep cost low.

Super Senor Mobil Unit
Secretary of State likes coming to our center and has made reservations for next October and next April already. The group confirmed that the Unit is great for members and especially likes the classes for test taking.

Elvis Lives – 4/19/18
Feedback on this event was very good. Food good, entertainment good and very fun time. 82 attended.
Pronto food was great. Debbie mentioned that if your picture was in the album you are welcome to take the copy for $1.00.

Chip In Casino – May 17-19
36 people attended. Jeannine volunteered to go without payment. A trip volunteer is needed if anyone is interested.

Summer Happenings
Village Stickers can be purchased at the Center
New Quilt club
Volunteer guidelines to be developed
Bunco
Dining in DuPage – see Activity Guide
Memorial Day VFW Event – May 24
Senior Resource Fair – June 13
Summer Potluck – June 14
Mystery Theatre – June 19
Baseball games

Surveys from September
Fiscal year 2018 results reviewed by Committee before, but no next steps reported.

Donation
Firehouse Subs donated Bloomingdale Township Fire Dept equipment.

Senior Resource Fair – June 14
Senator Cullerton will call Bingo and fair will begin at 12:00 after bingo. There will be 50 vendors and the Fair is open to all seniors.

SCARE
Leona discussed the SCARE program for ecology. Debbie will contact Kay, the leader to set up a program here again.

MORTON ARBORETUM
The trip will be this year on a Thursday in late September or early October.

Food Service and Certifications
Debbie asked for comments on any food servers, both our volunteers and DSCC staff. Debbie explained that all committee members must be certified as meeting attendees. Leona, Lavonna and Bimla made appointments to take the test.

New members to Committee
Debbie explained the approval process for new members to be added including the completion of a volunteer form and referral to the Village Administration.

Lunch and Learn
The Post Office Inspector General will be coming here for a lunch and learn program.

The next meeting will be June 27, 2018 at 8:30am.
The meeting was adjourned at 9:40am.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Soo