Glendale Heights Center for Senior Citizens Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting

> Wednesday, October 24, 2018 Minutes

PRESENT:

Deb McKenzie Leona Breede Lavonna Hawkins Joan Kernan Karyn Hilborn Pat Maritato Mary Schroeder Joanne Soo

Absent:

Bimla Gupta

The meeting was called to order at 8:30am by Debbie McKenzie. The new committee members were introduced, Joan Kernan and Pat Maritato.

The minutes from September 26, 2018 meeting were reviewed and accepted with one change of a name spelling, Lavonna.

Debbie distributed two thank you notes sent to the center from the Agency on Aging and from a member.

Activity Guide – Jan to April

The next guide is being worked on. Any new activity suggestions are welcome. Joanne will get details to Suzette on the Overshadowed Theatre plays in Medinah for possible event planning in Jan-Apr. The scheduled craft classes have been very well attended and received. Alicia's sewing projects will come back and have not been set yet.

These were event suggestions made by the Committee at the September 2018 meeting: Geneva – Little Traveler shops Scarecrow Fest in St. Charles Lake Geneva Galena No new line dancing instructor has been hired due to expensive fees charged.

All exercise activities are full and well attended. The group discussed exercise activities, walking, Hub, bocce and ping pong. Walk-a-Mile and Forever Fit registrations will be looked at because the registration is high but those registered do not attend regularly. Exercise activities do not bring in revenue, new members or members who attend activities regularly. In the future enrollment for Walk-a-Mile and Forever Fit will be limited but not for bocce or ping pong. The group discussed the schedule for Walk-a-Mile being changed to Tuesday. The implementation of Walk-a-Mile five years ago on Tuesday only was reviewed. Because it was so well received it evolved into Tuesday and Thursday. In the future the class may be only on Tuesday. There was mixed reaction to that notice by the group.

All activities at the Hub require Senior Center membership and swipe-in when attending. The swipe-in will be better monitored at both the Hub and Center. Everyone will need to swipe in their card except the DSCC volunteers and non-member community dining guests.

The group discussed the bread and other free items. Debbie commented that the bread giveaway on Wednesday is an issue as it is not being limited to members and some that come in for bread do not swipe in or stay for activities.

Senior Center Month Surveys

Debbie included the comments from the member surveys taken in September in the minutes packet. The group can review and give comments to Debbie.

Secretary of State Mobile Unit

The event was well attended again this October with 50 drivers licenses and ID cards processed. The Secretary of State has already scheduled April and October 2019 dates and commented that this is the best facility to work in.

The State of Illinois training went well as stated by the thank you note received.

Halloween Party – 10/25/18

55 registered

The group discussed certification for food service. Joe, Leona, Lavonna and Joan have been scheduled for being Panera bread organizers on Tuesday. Joanne asked a question regarding whether we will be asked to volunteer to serve at parties again and whether it was necessary to recertify if we were not going to be asked to volunteer. Debbie said we are welcome to recertify but not necessary.

Dining in DuPage

The latest restaurant visited, Bohemian Crystal, was very well attended. Leona commented that it is nice to go to different places with different kinds of food.

Craft Fair – 11/14/18

Debbie asked the group to promote the Craft Fair on November 14.

Holiday Party Raffle Prizes and Gifts

Debbie commented that the letters were sent to various businesses soliciting gift cards for raffle prizes and followed up with a list of the businesses contacted (attached to minutes). Thus far only one business sent in a gift card. Debbie invited the group to go out to solicit as we had done in the past. The group divided up places to go and will bring in the gift cards to Debbie.

Debbie notified the group that the calendars will still be given out as the gift this year at the Party because a survey showed that the majority of members use them and still want them.

Panera Bread Organization – Tuesday

The issue of where to pack and organize the bread from Panera on Tuesday, Nov 5 for Election Day was discussed. A request was made to keep it in the kitchen in community room. Debbie stated that it will be in the kitchen as the election commission will be receiving voters in the library this year.

Future meetings

There will be no meeting in November. The choices for the next meeting were Dec 19 or Jan 16, 2019. Debbie stated she will not be here for Jan meeting. The group decided to meet next on Dec 19 at 8:30am.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35am.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Soo