

**Glendale Heights Center for Senior Citizens
Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting
March 23, 2022
Minutes**

PRESENT

Jennifer Alagna
Leona Breede
Lavonna Hawkins
Joan Kernan
Pat Maritato
Patti Pauling
Joanne Soo
Joe Toma

ABSENT

Mary Schroeder

The meeting was called to order at 12:30. The minutes of the February 23, 2022 meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Brunch Review

The brunch had great reviews with 54 members attending/sold out event. The group commented that we needed a different pancake batter for the next brunch as the one used was difficult to use. The entertainment was very successful with rave reviews from those attending. It was suggested that next time to have an hour to eat and leave the last hour for entertainment.

Programs Resumed in February

All fitness and bingo programs were resumed in February. No masks were mandated as of February 28, 2022.

Volunteers Review

Volunteers' numbers were down in January due to closures.

Bake Sale – April 13, 2022 – 9:00 to 1:00p

Volunteers are needed for set up and sell at the bake sale. Leona, Lavonna, Joan and Joanne volunteered to help. Volunteers should be there at 8:00am. It was suggested we call the

bakers who volunteered to get an idea of how many goods we would have and to try to get more bakers to volunteer. The list of bakers will be checked before the sale. Also suggested to put up signs in HUB, outside near street and in front of Senior Center. Some of the suggestions from the last bake sale in 2019 were reviewed and will be used this year:

Have 25 cent items as well as some larger cookie trays with variety to sell for more.

Do the preparations in the craft room which is larger

Mark all gluten free items

Entertainment

Jennifer informed the group that a new entertainment company was chosen, Lucky Entertainment. It was suggested to get cruise line entertainers in the future as the Brunch singer. Sandy, who has entertained at previous Christmas parties, was hired for 2022 Christmas lunch.

Bus Driver

Jennifer notified the group that the bus will be back on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week to take members to grocery store (Jewel, Valle, Aldi), senior center and medical appointments. Those will be the only places that the bus will go except any day trip that the senior center sponsors. The cost will be increased to \$3.00 one way and \$5.00 round trip. Two part time drivers will be hired eventually for 15 hours of availability per week. Pat will work through the Village to get the drivers hired and the bus started to run. No date for start was made.

Day Trips

Some ideas for trips to plan from the senior center:

Naper Settlement

Potawatomi Park – St. Charles

Cantigny - Winfield

Lilacia Park – Lombard

Grant

The senior center was given a \$350,000 architectural grant to use for improvements to the building. Jennifer discussed possibility of moving walls for more storage, adding new carpet. More storage can be added by using part of the patio. New closets will be used to revamp the medical lending closet. Keith in Facilities is in charge of renovations. The DVD and projector will also be updated.

Spring and Summer Events

Bake Sale – Wednesday, April 13

May – Country and Western Event with music, Pulled pork, green beans, fried chicken, etc.

June – Trivia Event

July – BBQ

August – National Night Out and temple trip

New Meeting Time

The group requested a change from 12:30p to 8:30a for the meeting time on 4th Wednesday of each month. The group voted to change it starting next month.

Another comment was made that the center is not open on Saturday due to low attendance in the past. It is open 7:30am to 5:00pm Monday-Friday.

Committee Members

It was discussed to keep the committee at the current number.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 8:30am.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Soo