



City of Lake Oswego 50-Plus Advisory Board

Thursday, March 8, 2007
8:30 a.m.

Members 2006-2007:

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Approved Minutes

I. Roll Call

Janine Dunphy, Chair, Elizabeth Marietta, Vice Chair, Nanci Cummings, Daniel Baer, Barbara Heisler, MaryLou Webb, Caryl Lindemaier, Ardis Stevenson, Kathy Long Holland, Brenda Suteu, ACC Manager, Teresa O'Halloran, ACC Admin.
Excused: Kim Gilmer, PR Director, Councilor McPeak, Liaison

II. Approval of Minutes 2/8/07

Minutes approved with the following corrections

- Under new business V. Section C: change Dan to Denny
- Under new business V. Section A: change "The reason" to "One of the reasons"
- Under new business V. Section A: change "insight" to "incite"
- Under old business IV. Section B: duplicate word removed "who"

III. Open Public Communications

None

IV. Old Business

A. Transportation Update

Denny Egner handed out an expansion of the transportation plan which includes various options for how the program could work. Some options include a fixed route, with a program for seniors to be picked up at their home if they register for the program.
(Reference handout with diagrams).

Dan Baer added that while on vacation in a small city in New Mexico he discovered they had a transportation system implemented via a federal grant. Dan shared a list of the grants that are available.

When Denny talked to Kim, she stressed the need to make this transportation program available to younger people, teens, etc...

Ardis Stevenson added that Denny should look at all the research done by Ride Connection on this program and to set up a meeting with Brenda Durbin. Meeting to also include Ardis, Janine and Ride Connection. This needs to be done prior to the next 50+ Board meeting

Next steps include a cost analysis and looking at other resources that may be able to provide this service for the City.

B. Community Center Update

Representatives from the New Community Center Steering Committee, George Benson and Marsha Robertson presented a review of the plan for the new center and what the estimated costs may be. Beginning in late fall, the proposal was deemed too expensive, and the group was asked to go back and re-do the proposal based on feedback and lowering the costs. The library was too big an issue to continue, so the library decision will be made by City Council. The ACC will continue to provide social services and the meal program. The recreation and education will move to the new center.

George Benson asked for the group's opinion on this proposal. Some opinions included:

- The segregation between social services and recreation may not be a good idea
 - May create an imbalance in the financial aspects of the ACC if recreation/ education is removed
 - Transportation is an issue that needs to be looked at – how are seniors going to get to the new center? From the old center?
- Seniors are getting the short end of the stick; seniors were almost a footnote in the presentation last night (March 7)
- Lake Oswego is aging; Money is a big factor for seniors
- How this proposal is communicated to the public is a key factor
- Overall the group felt that all senior services and programs should be in the same location

It was decided that each of us needs to play an active role in letting the Steering Committee and the public know where we stand on including all ACC activities in the proposed center. We requested everyone in the group to either fill out the community center questionnaire or to go on line and do so.

Additionally, please consider writing letters to the editor. The 50 plus segment of the population is the least vocal of all of the respondents to the proposed community center.

George Benson volunteered to come to our next Board meeting to give us an additional update.

C. Work Group Updates

One work group had an update: On goal #2 - Volunteering

The group distributed a summary of their goals and where they are at with those goals. Rather than “doing” a project, this board will function as facilitators of the programs that are already exist in the community.

- Already working with the Hands-On Portland and the Clackamas Co. Volunteer Connection
- Coordinate a day of training in LO regarding how to get the most out of volunteers
- Next steps are to focus on the conference or the training regarding volunteers and schedule it here in LO

D. ACC Update

Brenda Suteu gave an update on happenings at the center. The center brought in approximately \$47,000 in memberships this year. The meal program is experiencing an increase in home delivered meals. The LOMN board is looking into the replacement of old kitchen equipment. Brenda is continuing to work with Denny Egner and Paul Espe regarding the transportation program proposal. The meal program received a donation from Clackamas County for the meals on wheels program.

V. New Business

A. Suggestion for guest speakers/topics for May/June – Did not have time

B. Discussion on suspending meetings July/August.

The group decided to continue through summer without a hiatus

C. Prepare “Talking Points” to use when speaking to public

What is our board doing? News/publicity. This is something that Janine Dunphy feels strongly about. But the group actually didn't get to come up with some of these points.

Please come to next month's meeting with some ideas for what is our message and how do we say it.

D. Set Next Meeting Date & Agenda – April 12

E. Adjourn

References:

50+ Meeting Minutes Draft 2/8/07

Senior Shuttle Program proposed options

2007 Work Plan