

Manhattan Beach Senior Advisory Committee

1:00pm October 21, 2014

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Kate Nelson, Diane Campisi, Steve De Baets, Gwen Binegar, Marcella David, Emily Borelli, Ken Thompson **Non-Voting Member:** Parks and Recreation Commissioner (Tom Allard) **City Council Member:** David Lesser **Staff:** Eve Kelso , Mark Leyman **Public:** Kim Neglia, Irma Cohen , Fyllis Kramer. *The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm by Chair Kate Nelson. The minutes of the September meeting were approved with one change (add Richard Zeif's last name in the City TV Channel item).*

Priority Action Items

- **New SAC Secretary:** Because our current secretary has moved out of town, SAC has to select a new one. Steve De Baets volunteered and was approved unanimously.
- **City Council Report:** Councilman David Lesser announced that the local access tv channel discussion has been delayed by the City Council. He emphasized the complicated nature of this item and thanked SAC sub-committee member for this research into this issue. Possible date for City Council discussion Nov. 5, 2014
- **New Member Recruitment:** Eve Kelso said that SAC would search for candidates to fill Dei Murray's seat. No current applications are on file and Eve asked for input to solicit viable candidates. Suggestions included advertising at community service clubs, Leadership Manhattan Beach, and in the OAP newsletter.
- **Scout House Update:** Steve De Baets reported that a local architect is in the process of drawing up conceptual drawing of the proposed new building. A fundraising campaign is being developed.
- **Library Progress:** Patrick McBride said that work appears to be progressing on time and on budget.
- **Educational Television, Channels 35 and 8:** David Lesser addressed this in his report
- **Music and Memory:** Eve Kelso reported that we have applied to screen the movie *Alive Inside* at Joslyn and are awaiting a date.
- **Hometown Fair Update:** Several SAC members volunteered to work the OAP table on Saturday and Sunday and reported a lot of interest by fair goers.
- **Annual City Intergenerational Event:** Kate Nelson distributed a draft flyer for the event, called *We Are Better Together*. The event, co-sponsored by SAC and the Mayor's Youth Council, is a half-day gathering on December 6th in the Joslyn Center designed to build more inter-generational programs in Manhattan Beach.
- **Sunday Church in the Joslyn Center:** Mark Leyman reported that the church is no longer holding services there. He said that City considerations of future requests from organizations with 50 or more people to rent the facility will be reviewed. By P&R Manager.
- **2nd Day of Lunch Bunch:** Because Jan Buike has the background and management responsibility for this program, we have deferred discussing it until next month's meeting when she will be present.
- **Holiday Party:** The holiday party committee will be: Diane Campisi (Chair), Kate Nelson, Emily Borelli, Marcella David, Tom & Sue Allard.
- **Sub-committee reports**
MARKETING/PUBLICITY: Diane reported on two possible intergenerational projects with MCHS: A night of improvisation and a joint art show, tentatively planned for the spring.
SPORTS: Tom Allard referred to his monthly report, distributed earlier and highlighted some programs.
TRANSPORTATION: Marcella David has proposed that Dial-A Ride extend its hours to conform to the Oasis hours. Staff will research the feasibility of the request and report back next month.
BUDGET: Patrick McBride questioned the "info systems" charge. Eve Kelso and Mark Leyman responded that this is a Finance Department decision. They find the budget easy to navigate and work with.....

DEVELOPMENT/GRANTS, ARTS, CULTURE, EDUCATION : Gwen Binegar reported on the many activities of this group, including the *Be My Guest* program at MCHS, the poetry events with MCHS Creative Writing students and the successes of Culture Sunday. Kate Nelson reported that the last OLLI lecture was well attended and received. The next one is scheduled for October 24 and will feature a professor of anthropology talking about "The Pre-History of Home."

OASIS ROOM AD HOC COMMITTEE: Marcella David reported that she had developed a plan for the OASIS that would make social interaction easier. It involves using small tables and a new configuration. She asked that we try the new plan for a month. The motion: try this new furniture arrangement, with staff input to ensure safety and convenience, for thirty days and report back to SAC on its effectiveness.

- **Reports by Staff:** No Report

Patrick McBride asked about Freeway Transponders in the Dial A Ride buses so they could use select lanes on freeways when attending out of town events. Staff to report back.

Ken Thompson reported that the Wifi at Heights is not accessible to all devices due to a possible security glitch in the Wifi system. Staff will report back

Reports: Clubs, SRC, At-Large Members and P&R Commissioner

- Joslyn: Marcella David reported PotLuck is popular. Conflict in the Oasis Room between the Discussion group and others using the room. Staff will monitor.
- Manhattan Heights: Ken Thompson reported that everything is running well. .
- SRC: Patrick McBride nothing to report
- Parks and Recreation Commission: Tom Allard reported that the City Council is considering a *Salute to the Troops* event for 2015 at tonight's meeting.

New Business

- **Opinion on the By-laws:** Patrick McBride presented a document that raised questions and concerns about the current SAC bylaws. Kate Nelson provided some historical context by distributing the process used by SAC last year (a 5 month process) to review and revised the by-laws. Patrick focused on four issues that he would like to have SAC consider incorporating into the by-laws. Ken Thompson proposed a motion that SAC consider each of these four issues at four successive meetings. The vote was tied (4-4), but Kate Nelson withdrew her vote and proposed that the discussion go forward, starting with the November meeting.

Action Items and Priorities for Next Meeting

1. City Council Report
2. Music and Memory
3. 2nd Day of lunch bunch
4. Holiday party committee recommendations
5. By-law issue: *Codify good recruiting practices in the By-laws*
6. *Repository for all SAC minutes*

Other Announcements--None

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55pm. The next meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2014 at 1:00 in the Joslyn Center.

Respectfully submitted by Steve DeBaets, SAC secretary