



SENIOR AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

TUESDAY, October 22, 2024

In Person Meeting: 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Location: **Park De La Cruz Community Center**

3901 Landis Street

San Diego, CA 92107

Virtual Meeting ID: 1608396119

Public Comment on an Agenda Item: IT notes for microphones; how to speak into the mic and turn on the mic.

Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda: Susan public civilian introduction.

Agenda

Item 1: Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:36 a.m. by Kristi Fenick. Members: Rosemary White Pope, Jacqueline Jackson, Bob Prath, Gwenmarie Hilleary, Marissa Feliciano, Mary Scott Knolls, Juan Sotelo, William Peetoom, Antoinette Alioto, JB Robinson present. Michelle Matters (virtual).

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Item 2: Roll Call/Introductions: Members: Rosemary White Pope, Jacqueline Jackson, Bob Prath, Gwenmarie Hilleary, Marissa Feliciano, Mary Scott Knolls, Juan Sotelo, William Peetoom, Antoinette Alioto, JB Robinson present. Michelle Matters-virtual.

Board introductions – Rosemary White Pope-District 4 senior advocate; Jacqueline Jackson-Advocate for differently abled; Mary Scott Knolls-Housing/Civil rights supervisor; Bob Prath-Community advisor AARP representative; Gwenmarie Hilleary-North County long term care administrator; Juan Sotelo-Senior living; William Peetoom-Home health care compliance; Antoinette Alioto-Jewish Family Services; Marissa Feliciano-Jamboree high quality senior housing; JB Robinson-National University, spinal cord injuries, caregiving; Michelle Matter-SDSU CEAL

Item 3: Parks and Recreation Staff Report: Kristi Fenick, welcome and introduction. Sarah Erazo, Deputy Director Citywide Recreation Services: Thank you for being here and establishing board, looking forward to seeing what this group brings to the city.

Andy Field, Parks & Recreation Director: the goal is to help older adults find resources, and work with sister department to help find needs in the community and address them.

Item 4: Age Friendly San Diego Action Plan (all members received action plan): County, SDSU Social Policy Institute and city collaboration, along with community support developed the action plan that was adopted by City Council in December 2021.

Bob: Elected leadership of the community that has a plan for the demographics coming down the line. 8 domains city can pick any domain to work on.

Item 5: Discussion: Kristi-open discussion of moving forward with SAAB since it's reactivation.

Rosemary: Inclusive board with/for marginalized community. Diversity, coming together with issues and concerns effecting all communities. Advocating for resources across all of San Diego not just regions.

Juan: What is the most productive use of time for these meetings?

Rosemary: How can we help all seniors in all areas of concern?

Gwenmarie: How does/is the board function?

Kristi: up for board discretion; sub committees would be appointed and would meet at different times. Elections today, elected board will be running the future meetings.

Voluntary board –bylaws will provide structure. The board will not be receiving City of San Diego IT support every meeting. Meeting needs to be posted and advertised and accessible to the public.

Bob: Relationship with council member?

Chida (Mayor's office representative): The board advises the current staff and the mayor on policy recommendations. Today is the inaugural meeting. Chida to provide a packet of materials on city municipal code for board. Board will shape bylaws, options for meeting spaces, direct contact, will receive proposals and track responses. Board to follow Brown Act and Robert's rules of order. 72hr notice for agenda points.

Juan: Access to KPI's

Chida: Will provide a link to KPIs.

Mary: Action plan already established? Housing Commission can support a part of the education process.

Antoinette: How do we present meeting structure, and initiatives to add to meeting agenda?

Kristi: Items will go to the chair; board leadership will organize meetings to create the agenda.

Rosemary: The need of seniors to bring back SAAB, glad to have this. We want to rectify and alleviate current issues seniors face.

Gwenmarie: Is there a place to go for current operations for citywide services currently?

Sarah: AgeWell at Park De La Cruz Community Center (PDLCC) is a good resource for now.

William: Roles and responsibilities of the board?

Kristi: Chair will be running the meeting, vice chair – covers when chair is not here, secretary: typing minutes, editing, and submitting. All members provide input.

Item 6: Action:

Interim positions until bylaws established and a re-appointed is passed: Gwenmarie (Chair), Juan (Vice Chair), Michele (Secretary), JB (Legislative Chair). Bob- Motion to

go with the slate for interim volunteers until bylaws are voted on and a re-appointment is passed. Jacqueline second. Passed unanimously.

Item 7: Action: Bylaws include establishing future meeting dates, frequency, time, locations. Committee should set their own meeting time and should meet before the next meeting. Members to include Mary, Bob, Marissa, Juan, Antoinette. Gwenmarie – Motion to accept the bylaws committee. JB second. Approved unanimously.

Item 8: Action: Future meeting date/time/location, board member's location. Chida – meetings are in person unless, “just-cause,” sick, contagious, etc. If you attend virtually, you may not be able to vote. November meeting to be held at Park de la Cruz. Kristi can make arrangements for usage of city facilities. Kristi to look into the Jacob's Center in Encanto. Meetings to be held on the 3rd Wednesdays of each month (may change to less frequent once board is established) at 12:00pm. William-motion to meet on the 3rd Wednesdays at 12:00pm. Rosemary second. All in favor (Michelle no longer in attendance virtually)

Item 9: Non-Agenda Public Comment: Mary Otera: Will this committee provide input to Parks and Recreation on budget allocations? Will public have access to minutes? Kristi – This board is advising to the mayor's office indirectly. Minutes will be posted on the website and facility.

Other:

Bob- AARP is working with council president for digital coupons for internet with user insufficiencies.

Subcommittees can meet in person or virtual.

Age Friendly San Diego Action Plan is a guide for future SAAB initiatives.

William – Blue Zones? Actions on making San Diego a blue zone?

Adjournment at 11:02am. Bob motion to adjourn. Juan second. All in favor.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 20 at 12:00pm at Park de la Cruz (3901 Landis St., SD, 92105)