
Advisory Council Meeting
Cathy Hudgins Community Center at Southgate
12125 Pinecrest Rd, Reston, VA 20191

Minutes – December 5, 2023
(Hybrid Meeting held in Person and via ZOOM)

Council Members Present:

In Person: Caren Anton, Maryam Ovissi, Gerald Padmore, Lisa Hviding, Kathleen Jones, Andy Sigle

Via Zoom: Satoriea Warren

Council Members Not Present:

Darlena Ricks, Yasmine Aquino

Community and Staff Present:

Quincy Lewis, Karen De Mijango, Lisa Sechrest-Ehrhardt

Community Members Absent:

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2023-2024 Council GOALS

Progress Workplan including:

- i. Increase balance in Advisory Fund to enhance capability to support CHCC programming efforts
- ii. Have all Council members involved in a minimum of 15 hours of service at CHCC
- iii. Have all Council positions filled
- iv. Support CHCC staff to increase outreach and programming to our adult communities
- v. Have all member complete NCS Volunteer training

Meeting Call to Order: Caren Anton, Chairman, at 7:10pm

Tonight's Agenda: Approved after the motion passed unanimously.

Past Meeting Minutes: Approved after the motion passed unanimously.

Election of Secretary:

- In addition to taking the minutes the secretary would be responsible in getting the minutes to the Chairman a week before the next meeting. Caren covered additional responsibilities.
- Nominations- NONE
- Vote deferred to January because of 0 nominations.

Chairman's Report (Caren Anton):

- Welcome Lisa from Reston Community Center
- Thank you to the Thanksgiving Dinner Volunteers. It was a wonderful event.
- Possible *Reston for Life* collaboration (*Helping Restonians Age in Place*)
 - What does this look like at Cathy Hudgins?
 - What potential programs can come out of this partnership?
 - ❖ Discussions on issues that are concerning aging.
 - ❖ Immigration Laws
 - ❖ Technology
- Elf Store December 8th -9th
 - Members of the council and Quincy will be there on the 8th at 10am to talk about the details of the Elf Store and center. Caren will ask if Andy could be present.

Treasurer's Report (Gerald Padmore):

See Treasurer's report for detail

- November balance – \$7,154.42
- The \$750 for the 2023 scholarship will be paid out in January.

CHCC at Southgate – Directors Report (Quincy Lewis and staff):

See Director's report for detail

- The new Cathy Hudgins Teen Zone will start after the Winter Break
- The Elf Store is scheduled for December 9th, 2023. Volunteers needed. Please see Quincy for details.
- Glow Walk December 6th. Hot Chocolate, activities, and Glow sticks provided. Activity will start at Dogwood.
- Pickleball has started
- Music Lovers program for Seniors
- Zumba Wednesday's from 6pm-7pm
- Family Dinner will be in January. Date TBD
- Quincy has reached out to Cornerstones and inquired about them bringing back the Pro-Bono Legal Clinic to the center. He will update the council once he receives information.

RA Report

- N/A – No member present.

Cornerstones Report:

- N/A – No member present.

Old Business:

- Scholarship Committee (Maryam) – will be meeting next week and will give updates in January.
 - The council would like to see the dollar amount and number of Scholarships they will provide.
 - The Committee will present the criteria to receive the scholarship at the next meeting.
 - Lisa Sechrest-Ehrhardt suggested reaching out to other businesses that would donate to the cause of the scholarship.

New Business:

- Dogwood School Glowstick Walk (Andy) – scheduled for December 6, 2023. The walk will start at Dogwood Elementary School and end at Cathy Hudgins Community Center.
- The Y-Universe Organization (Andy) – will be conducting a Clothing Giveaway for 5th and 6th graders at Dogwood on 12/6.
- The plaque for Jan Bradshaw is being designed. Andy waiting for proof and will provide an update upon completion.

Adjourn:

Adjourned at 8:20 pm after the motion passed unanimously. Next meeting on January 9, 2024, at 7:00 PM.
