



Advisory Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Members Present Lynn Andersen, Chris Clark, Richard Clark, Becky Harris, Susan Hatcher, Ed Houston, Sandra Jones, Karl Schatten

Members Absent Max Derrick

City Staff Present Cory Plant, Director
April Callaway, Office Admin Supervisor
Rowan Coates, Murray City Cultural Arts staff

Guests Present Adam Schweitzer, Heritage Senior Adults, Inc. Board of Trustees

Call to Order Richard Clark called the meeting to order at 10:33 AM and welcomed everyone.

Minutes September 29, 2021 minutes were approved as written on a motion by Susan Hatcher and seconded by Karl Schatten

Special Recognition Karl acknowledged the staff for the great job on Oktoberfest, it was a wonderful event

Citizen Comments None

Special Presentation Rowan provided information about how the Murray Cultural Arts department is collecting artifacts, stories, and letters for service members from Murray. Rowan or Katie would like to set-up an "office" hour at the Center to have the opportunity to speak with service members. Make sure all artifacts are documented and that people can tell their story.

Committee Reports None

Unfinished Business

A. Center Participant Survey

We have received 78 surveys. There is not a deadline but probably November 30. We would like to have a higher number turned in. Would appreciate the Board members' assistance in getting the word out. April will email it out with the next newsletter.

B. Online Reservations

When online reservations started at Parks and Recreation it was slow, but they are up to 90% of all reservations are done online. The concern on our side, is that many seniors don't have access to the internet. However, we had 1200 golfer transactions over the past summer, and they can certainly use the internet. It just isn't effective or efficient to tie up staff time with that many phone calls. Online reservations would also allow for more weekend sign-ups.

New Business

A. Homeless Situation at Grant Park

Cory reported on the homeless that have been hanging around Grant Park and the Center. The bathrooms at Grant Park are now locked. We don't want to set a precedent. Let staff know if you see any homeless people and the Center staff will notify the police. Don't approach the homeless individual(s) yourself. This is an ongoing problem in all the Murray city parks and the along the Jordan River Parkway.

B. Suggestions for 2022 Board Members

The current board members suggested Erich Mille (general), Ron or Sue Liljegren (Murray), Marilyn or Chuck Dillard (Murray), Karen or Dave Maynard (general).

Heritage Senior Adults, Inc. Board of Trustee Comments

Adam suggested playing background music during lunches. April will work on this.

Advisory Board Comments

The board discussed meeting at 1:00 beginning in January. Motion made by Becky Harris, Karl Schatten seconded the motion, the board agreed unanimously.

Director's Report by Cory Plant

Cory reported that Oktoberfest went well with a great turnout. The band was wonderful, and the food was awesome. Unfortunately, we had 10-15 of the root beer mugs taken by the participants.

Cory is always amazed by the talent shown by the people at the Center. Most are down to earth, humble, and have great experiences to relay from their lives. He hopes to be able to tap that potential.

Next week is a bridge tournament with 24-26 people. Cory is very excited about it and hopes to have more tournaments in the future for both bridge and pinochle.

The maintenance team took down the awnings over the patio. Cory spoke about pickleball is fine to play during good weather but may need to find other options once the snow falls. Cory has a meeting with the Park Center to see what can be done together to allow better utilization between our Centers and Participants.

We recently posted the kitchen assistant position. We would like to build some activities to help foster increasing the lunch numbers.

Cory would like to start a speaker's guild. Cory has already spoken with Thurl Bailey. It would be great to have Gail Miller, or the silver medalists from the 2021 Olympic Games come and speak. They could come at 1:00 after lunch is over. We will all benefit from their stories. Cory would love to learn of any suggestions for speakers or connections that the Board may have.

The next regular board meeting will be held on **Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 10:30 AM**. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:26 AM on a motion by Ed Houston and seconded by Susan Hatcher. Minutes recorded by April Callaway.