

THE WILSON SENIORS' ADVISORY ASSOCIATION
MONTHLY MEETING
MARCH 11, 2020
BOARD ROOM, PCCC
10:00 A.M.

Members Present

Ann Pratt, Royce Shook, Roland Mitchell, Juanita Franco, Doug Taylor, Jerine Jago, Sharon Martin, Karen Dobson, Ian Follis, Lynn McKenzie, Teresa Foreman.

Staff

Chris Eastman

Guests

George Lukach, Larry Jacobsen.

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by president, Royce Shook at 10:00.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda by consensus.

Approval of Prior Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the February meeting by consensus.

Staff Report

Chris Eastman. (Within the minutes.)

Motion to approve the staff report by Gwendoline Turpin, seconded by Ian Follis. Carried.

Treasurer's Report

Motion by Roland Mitchell and seconded by Gwendoline Turpin to approve the actual vs. Budget report for the month ending January 31, 2020. Carried.

Actual vs budget report-year-to-date ending February 29, 2020 presented for Board perusal.

Roland gave notice that he will not be returning to the Board after October 2020.

Correspondence

E mail from Melissa Maltais, Haney Farmers' Market representative, in regard the Board's participation in the market again this year?

The Board at this point are not sure of the City's participation. Royce Shook moved that, "Contingent to the City continuing to participate in the Farmers' Market the Board will support three (3) seniors to the amount of \$1,000.00 (One thousand dollars.) Seconded by Juanita Franco. Carried.

Business Arising

The History of Wilson Centre

Guests George Lukach and Larry Jacobsen, both long time members of Wilson Centre, spoke on a proposed project that they would like the Board to assist with. They would like the Board to take a leadership role in compiling a history of Wilson Centre in words and pictures. The Board agreed that it was an interesting and worthwhile endeavour. The Board will go ahead with this and try to find a person to chair the project. Will advertise in the next “*What’s Up Wilson.*”

Strategic Planning Committee. Royce will be meeting with Chris Eastman, Yvonne Comfort and two Board members, Jerine Jago and Teresa Foreman, on March 23, 2020.

New Business

Roland Mitchell will provide some more secure envelopes for putting money into to go into the safe.

Seniors’ Social Celebration within the minutes.

Seniors’ Week May 30-June 6, 2020

Rotary Club will provide \$1,500.00 for the funding of the Seniors’ Brunch on June 7. Hopefully, the Knights of Columbus will donate \$200.00 towards bingo prizes for the year. Amica (Sienna Senior Living) will provide funding for the Seniors’ Lunch, June 4.

Increased sanitation around the centre due to the Corona virus.

Concerns about lack of communication and groups being “bumped” from their regular meeting times and places.

Emergency Preparedness would like to give a session for Seniors. Chris Eastman will refer this to Carmel LePine for a possible Tuesday Talk.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1202 by Karen, seconded by Sharon Martin. Carried

Next Meeting

Next meeting April 8, 2020 at 1000 in the Boardroom, PCCC.

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Attachments

Staff Report

Presented by Chris Eastman, Time-stated Recreation Program Coordinator – Adult & Food Services

City Updates

1. Temporary carpet bowling racks have been set up in the JB Young room. Once the 250 person multi purpose room is complete the already purchased roller rack will be made available.
2. Our wood carving contractor was not able to continue through Spring but the group expressed interest in still meeting so we have worked to provide options for the group to meet for both the hands on skills as well as the social connection. A space has been secured for Fall.
3. Promo in What's On Port Coquitlam: A full page of promo for our upcoming Senior's Week in June will be displayed in the April/June version of Rotary's publication.
4. A meeting has been scheduled for this Friday to address the concerns of the fitness participants with the time changes. Nathan, Stephanie and Carmel will be in attendance for this meeting to provide opportunities for Q & A. Chris Eastman will not be in attendance as he worked the Saturday pool opening event.
5. There was an RCMP bust across the street from the PCCC. Since that incident, the situations to do with the homeless have dwindled considerably.
6. There is a push to complete the drop off area for Handy-Dart for the Spring. Updates to follow.
7. The required part has arrived to address the heating problem in the Gathering Place and Maintenance will be working towards a more comfortable solution.
8. Card tables in and are being used for programs and events. There is a Maintenance request to build the cabinets to display the Advisory Board wares.
9. I am sad to announce the passing of Moneca Remillard, a Wilson Centre volunteer in the old building. Moneca had been struggling with mental health challenges and is in a better place now. Her husband passed along how happy she was working with everyone in the Wilson Kitchen.
10. Sewing has expressed a feeling of detachment from the rest of the senior's programming due to their program being hosted out of the Gathering Place. We have invited them to join us for lunch/coffee before their program and will also look for opportunities to make additional efforts to connect with them.
11. Softball: Brian O'Neil who supports the senior's softball taking place out of Gates Park, has approached requesting the City/Board purchase them softball equipment for the 2020 season. We have requested a response from Yvonne to determine if the sport aspect removes them from the Seniors portfolio as well as communicating with the Board prior to responding. It is important to note that majority of team members are not residents, and history has shown that though previous contracts have stated that all members of the softball team must be Wilson Centre members, this has not always been the case. Board input is appreciated.

Special Events and Programs

- 1.) BINGO: There was an injury in Bingo last Wednesday when one of the patrons tripped over a cord from the AV equipment. To ensure this does not happen again we are testing out the Fitness portable system which allow us to be wireless, while still providing the senior participants the features they want in the activity.
- 2.) The pilot 160 Translink bus out trip is tentatively planned for April 20. This will see registrants take part in an outing with a volunteer and a staff member via the Translink Services, providing insight on how to access and use the transportation system in a safe and effective manner, while also visiting shops and amenities en route. The goal being the demystification of the transit system as well as an introduction to community shops. Registration would be \$5 to prevent no shows, and participants would be responsible for their own food & drink. Details to follow.
- 3.) Leap Year social went well with 60 people in attendance. Prepping for tomorrow's St Paddy's Day lunch , St. Paddy's Day lunch which has 44 people registered.
- 4.) One City Pass: We are working on a spreadsheet to show the breakeven point for use of the One City Pass versus the 20 pass option for seniors

Wilson Centre Statistic Comparison | September 2019 & 2020

Summary: Attendance for February 2020 is almost on par with 2019 for our drop-in programs. Memberships continue to grow, and the Corona Virus pandemic has not had a major effect on attendance and registration.

1. Wilson Centre | Drop-In Programs

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS											
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Jan 2019	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2001	1316										
Jan 2020	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
1301	1278										

2. Wilson Centre | Membership Sales by Package

Jan 2019	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
969	851										
Jan 2020	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
1075 +106	1,114 +263										