

AURORA COMMISSION FOR SENIORS

Aurora Center for Active Adults
30 Del Mar Circle, Aurora, CO 80011

Monday, March 4, 2019

1:00 p.m.

MINUTES

AURORA COMMISSION FOR SENIORS MEMBERS PRESENT: Juanita Audre, Chair; Jeannie Davis, Vice Chair; Donita Rafferty, Ivy Hontz, Leo Gross, and Barbara Schneller

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mario Reza and Gloria Shea

OTHERS PRESENT: Jan Hamburg, Special Services Superintendent; Ronald Roulhac, Recreation Supervisor; Deborah Burcham, A.C.A.A. Facility Manager; Lori Sanchez, Morning Star Adult Day Program; Sharon Forde, Clerical Assistant; and Dawn Booth, Recording Secretary

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** By Aurora Commission for Seniors Chair, Juanita Audre at 1:08 p.m.
- II. **INTRODUCTIONS:** Deborah Burcham, A.C.A.A. Facility Supervisor and Sharon Forde, Clerical Assistant
- III. **ADOPTION OF AURORA COMMISSION FOR SENIORS MINUTES:** The Minutes from February 4, 2019 were reviewed with a motion to approve by Ivy Hontz and seconded by Donita Rafferty. Minutes were adopted by Chair, Juanita Audre.
- IV. **GUEST SPEAKER:** None
- V. **LIAISON REPORTS**

Aurora Center for Active Adults: Ronald Roulhac, Recreation Supervisor

- Discussed tax preparation by A.A.R.P. being performed at the A.C.A.A.
- Reported on the opening of the new recreation center, Central Recreation Center, which was turned over to the City in March. There will be a soft opening on March 22 and a grand opening on May 9.



- Tony Yang will be moving to the Central Recreation.
- Auroria Arlt is also moving to the Central Recreation as Recreation Coordinator.
- Reported that the Front Office is now under the Supervision of Deborah Burcham, the Facility Manager.

Legislation Committee: Leo Gross

- Informed the Commission he left out HB 19-1001; all bills regarding seniors but can make copies and put on board.
- Stated there is no change to the bills; they are under consideration.
- Informed the Commission that two bills have been lost; one on Income Tax Family and the other on the Bill of Rights Protection.
- Ronald asks if the Commission should look at it.
- Ivy states Bill of Rights Protection is lost.
- Leo states City needs to review the legislative part of the law.
- Leo informed the Commission joining the membership as an individual will cost \$30.
- Ivy said she found a free site, but it doesn't give access to some things. Ivy asked Leo if he thinks it would be justified for us to join as a committee. Ivy recalls one of our speakers did say they would keep us posted on the bills that are important to Aurora. They don't seem to be keeping up with this. Are they keeping up with this?
- Barbara states that lobbyists do go to the A.C.C.O.A. meetings.
- Jeannie suggest follow up with the City Lobbyist for their take and what's relevant to services.
- Ronald asks should the Committee look at it as well.
- Juanita suggest Leo follow up with Roberto Venegas (email needed)
- Leo states not everyone on the list should be emailed
- Dawn to remove Denise Denton from the minutes



Arapahoe County Council on Aging: Barbara Schneller

- The A.C.C.O.A. is discussing the Homestead Act. If a couple is no longer able to stay in their home, and they have been in their home for less than 10 years, then they have to leave, they don't get the tax benefits.
- Suggests getting a 10-year period passed for Tax Reduction.
- Juanita asks for status
- Leo states no change. Two bills were dropped
- Barbara suggests talking with senior lobbyists, Bob Roth.
- Kathy represents DRCOG and Senior Resource
- Jan will be meeting to discuss Bill 1134. There were 219 rides documented; 47 people abused the rides (meeting to discuss)
- Ronald stated those numbers were for November and December; current numbers not yet received.
- Juanita stated there are not enough rides; also mentioned about vision loss
- Jan said she went to the Management Finance Commission, (the Policy Committee-Juan Sanchez) for the year-end report and carry over justification
- Dawn to look up report and send electronically
- Jan needs questions sent to her too so she could speak with Sharon and Jayla (DRCOG) ...Jan stated It's a pilot program,
 - carry over approved,
 - money distributed,
 - started in October
 - Fliers redone due to some confusion with logo and phone numbers; more fliers to be sent
 - Get a list for Jan based off of the report and get her the questions...Dawn to remind Ron about the 13 questions Jan needs.
- Dawn will send December questions electronically
- Jan will give Ron another report at the end of March (quarterly)

Senior Circle: Jeannie Davis and Donita Rafferty

- No Report
- Meeting this month (03/13)



Transportation Solutions: Mario Reza

- No Report

Public Relations: Juanita Audre

- Juanita made folders with copies for the Commission
- Juanita suggest going to Neighborhood Meetings – as many meetings as possible – disseminating fliers on the Senior Resource Center rides-rides must be within 10 miles-trade off meeting?
- Barbara stated she put out fliers at the Bob Roth meeting.

Ward Reports:

- Barbara discussed a drug free residence program currently in place on Peoria and Yale. Residents have to look for a job and be clean.
- Ronald invited to talk in September by Bob Roth (15 to 20 minutes)
- Juanita suggest goals and ask what is needed and if there are any individual ward reports
- Leo states he went to Ward Four by Charlie Richardson. They talked about a lot of things.
- Juanita suggests that Barbara call ahead to tell Bob Roth she or Leo is coming and if we can get up and speak? Just stand up and say who you are and who you represent and tell us what you want and need.
- If Barbara is allowed to speak, she will ask if she can put fliers on the table and wear her badge.

VI.

OLD BUSINESS

Aurora Senior Forum

- Discussion about ACS representatives and potential meeting dates:
 - Tuesday 12 or
 - Tuesday 26



Volunteer Forms

- See Ward List
- Ronald received two Volunteer Forms...suggests forms to be completed and returned
- Ronald stated Senior Day at the Capitol is on March 13; only one person indicated they wanted to go. Does anyone else want to go? Juanita wants to go. We will not be getting a bus.
- Ronald passes out a paper that indicated what he sent to Mayor Bob LeGare about our candidate choice for the ACS. There is only one vacancy.
- Juanita suggests reviewing the By-Laws and give feedback.
- Barbara or Ivy asked if Gloria had her By-Laws. A yes response was given.
- The question asked was can we all go through the By-Laws together? We probably have the power point presentation.
- Commitment is not on the application. Email questions to Leo.

2018 Report

- Juanita asked for a list of things we've accomplished
- Ron will pass out report from 2018 for reference and points of discussion: what were the goals for 2018? Analyze the data from DRCOG
 - Transportation Outreach-made fliers
 - Social media, Facebook, website
- Ronald suggests starting with the Communications Department and Kim Stuart.
- Juanita wants to do advertisements on Channel 8.
- Jan recommends going through Brittany Ehrhart, our Communication/Marketing Specialist.

Homeless:

- Jan suggests Liaison Ronald to follow up with Shelley McKittrick and she should give us a report (data).
- Juanita asks how can we get the lines of communication flowing?
- Jan said she will take lead and follow up with Shelley.



- Transportation Solutions: Does it exist anymore? Contact people? Legislative Board is up. Need contact people. Leo did a good job
- Juanita asked Jeannie if we came to a conclusion and if we can afford the \$150 membership, as a board not individual
- Juanita stated we have accomplished most of our goals; not the Homeless but through Jan we might get this done
- Website concerns were mentioned including changing the items on the website
- Ronald advised training has started to update webpage, such as pictures of the Forum and the report
- Jan suggests inviting a Marketing person to attend next meeting
- Leo suggest Facebook page for forms etc.
- Barbara and Jeannie opposed
- No vote taken

Goals Attended and Represented:

- Brochure commission; forum info; welcome coffee; resource fair at Heather Gardens; Senior Day at the Capitol; Award Meeting; and Senior Circle.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- GOALS FOR 2019
 - Ageism
 - Mental Health (loneliness based on Dr. Cog report)
 - Care for caregivers
- Ivy suggests bringing in speakers
- Juanita mentions Caregivers-By-Law compliance
- Mental Health means improving the quality of life through emotional support
- Needing a Mental Health speaker (Juanita will get speaker)
 - Make a recommendation to the Council
 - Report is to be presented on 5/22.



- Jeannie, Juanita and Ron to make plans to meet weekly- on 4/1 present plans to Committee – email to Jan on 5/8
- Ivy suggests we make sure our goals are measurable and achievable
- Juanita wants to establish a committee; Volunteers are Barbara S. and Jeannie D. to represent the Commission
- Marketing did all the flyers
- Barbara suggests a meeting for the marketing timeline
- Ronald needs dates to meet with Commission-meeting should be 60-90 minutes
- Barbara and Jeannie will meet on 3/12 or 3/26 in A.M.
- Ronald will communicate with Marketing and Communications
- Ivy Hontz motions for Senior Lobbyist group \$150 to become a member of the Legislative Council and get reports. Leo seconds the motion
- Approved to spend \$150.00 of the ACS budget to become a member of the State Legislative Council.

VIII. NEXT MEETING

Date: Monday, April 1, 2019

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Aurora Center for Active Adults 30 Del Mar Circle, Aurora Co. 80011

IX. ADJOURNMENT

1. Donita motions to adjourn the meeting and Jeannie seconds it. The motion passes at 2:55 p.m.



Juanita Audre

4-26-19

Juanita Audre, Chair

Date

Aurora Commission for Seniors

Dawn Booth

4-26-19

Dawn Booth, Recording Secretary

Date

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ADOPTED 4-26-19