

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

February 12, 2007 ~ Senior Center, 270 Scott Street, Paso Robles

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**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chairperson Dutra called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- Robert Fonarow led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Robert would like to recognize Member Gruner is back as an active member after heart surgery.

**ROLL CALL**

Judy O'Neal, Administrative Assistant, took roll as follows:

Members present: Edna DeBardelaben, Helen Dutra, Robert Fonarow, Richard Gruner,  
Barbara Mastin, and Grace Myers

Absent: Reneè Clark and Jan Stemper-Brown

City staff present: Lynda Holt, Judy O'Neal, Charlotte Gorton and Ann Robb

City Council rep present: Fred Strong

Absent: Mayor Mecham

Guests: Bill Pluma and Hugh Glenn

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. A motion was made by Fonarow, seconded by DeBardelaben, to approve the Minutes of the January 8, 2007 meeting - motion passed.
2. The Senior Endowment Report balance was \$292,950.89 as of 1/23/07.

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

3. **Results of Council Goal Setting Workshop**

- Director Robb discussed the February 3 Council workshop and thanked Member Mastin for attending. The Council received so many suggestions, they have planned another public workshop on Thursday, February 15, 7 pm in the Council Chambers. If you would like a copy of the goal suggestions, you can get them on the city website.

4. **Committee Update**

- Director Robb advised Robert Fonarow was recently appointed to serve on the City's Project Area Committee (PAC). Since it is city policy that a person cannot serve on more than one committee at a time, Robert's has to terminate his seat at Vice-Chairman on the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee.

- Robert Fonarow met with the Black Tie Bingo Committee and they want him to remain on as the Chairman and he has accepted. The fundraising ad hoc committee meets prior to the monthly Senior Advisory meetings. Robert has requested we move the Ad Hoc Reports under the Business Items on the agenda so he can give his monthly update? Director gave her approval for this change.
  - Director stated Mayor Mecham has been assigned as back-up Council liaison to the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee if Fred Strong cannot attend the meetings.
5. **Senior Endowment contribution to budget for 2007-2011**
- Charlotte passed out budget sheets and discussed spending \$39,000/year from the Senior Endowment Fund. We spend \$30,700 on staffing and \$8,300 in support and services.
  - After further explanation and discussion, Robert Fonarow made a motion, seconded by Member Gruner, to approve a \$30,000 ongoing expenditure from the Senior Endowment Fund until June 30, 2008. In June 2008, we recommend revisiting this \$30,000 expenditure to decide where we are with senior staffing – motion approved.
6. **Salvation Army Use of Facility Request for March 24, 2007**
- Richard Gruner asked the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee to consider waiving the use of facility fees to use the senior center for their annual Salvation Army Volunteer Recognition luncheon on March 24, 2007.
  - After discussion, a motion was made by Robert Fonarow, seconded by DeBardelaben, to choose Option A to recommend waiving the use of facility fees, but the Salvation Army will pay the \$20 per hour staff fee, for the use of the senior center on March 24, 2007 – motion passed.

## **AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Fundraising

- Robert Fonarow, Chairman, announced the event will be on Saturday, September 8, 2007 at Centennial Park and gave a detailed report.

### Transportation:

- Lynda gave an update on Friendly Rides for Seniors. AARP is working on a two-hour training and safety meeting for 12 volunteer drivers. Their goal is to have the volunteers trained and rides offered in Paso Robles by March 1, 2007.

## **CITY COMMUNICATION/REPORTS**

### Lynda Holt, Recreation Coordinator – Senior Citizens

We are extremely busy at the senior center with all the Cuesta classes offered. On May 19, S.A.G.E. (Senior Advisory Group for Education) will join and celebrate at the annual Senior Citizen barbecue at the senior center. The two groups will join efforts and announce the Senior Citizen of the Year and acknowledge the Cuesta College Emeritus Program. Lynda has a Cuesta intern volunteering ten hours per week, for a total of 180 hours in Business Education.

Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager

Charlotte advised she and Lynda have guest lectured at Cal Poly on the senior aging population.

Charlotte talked about the Sherwood Forest Grand Opening on February 9 and REC Foundation has been a major part of that project with monetary donations. This year, REC Foundation has adopted Centennial Park for their fundraiser and will also work on the Concerts in the City Park series. They will have a drawing for a Hawaii trip and sponsors the two Shakespeare Productions at Centennial Park this summer.

Chocolate Fantasia is February 23 and is now held at Centennial Park with Incendio band playing.

Charlotte discussed recruitments for jobs in special events, skate park attendant and our summer aquatics program.

Annie Robb, Director:

Annie advised our staff has been working on the budget, new and expanded service requests. We are very busy and doing well.

Fred Strong, Councilman:

Councilman Strong discussed the next Goal Setting workshop is February 15 with 300 potential goals to prioritize. He also discussed the Smart Conference.

The Chief of Police is retiring and new appointment on the next agenda.

SLOCOG approved our project for a bus system, and various other projects, naming a few such as: new signs, money to help paint bus shelters and access to Proposition 1-B monies.

**UNSCHEDULED MATTERS**

- Lynda mentioned that on the March agenda, EOC Adult Day Care Services will ask the Senior Advisory Committee to waive their facility fees for March 17.
- Lynda would like to thank Edna for the great job done on the Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration. Great speaker, food, and event during the day.
- We need to vote in a Vice-Chairman at the March meeting.
- Lynda mentioned 10 to 12 new paintings were donated by John Partridge. All the proceeds are to be donated to the senior budget.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Fonarow, seconded by DeBardelaben, to adjourn the meeting at 2:55 p.m. - motion passed. Adjourn to next regular meeting on Monday, March 12, 2007, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 270 Scott Street, Paso Robles.

**THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT THEIR 3/12/07 MEETING**

Respectfully submitted by Judy O'Neal, Administrative Assistant

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