

Regular Meeting Minutes Fairfax Senior Citizens Center Park Advisory Board Friday January 31, 2025 | 1:15 PM to 3:00 PM

Fairfax Senior Citizens Center

7929 Melrose Avenue Los Angeles California 90046

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Ronald Evans, Center Director Julie Finger, President & Board Member William Meyerchak, VP, & Board Member Dolores Kemp, Secretary, Board Member Sylvia Kleinhaut, Board Member Dr. Tricia Tahara-Stoller, Board Member Corey Arzoumanian, ESQ, Board Member Joseph Kleinhaut, Board Member - Ex-Officio Caroline Nagy, Board Member - Ex-Officio

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1. CALL TO ORDER

> Roll Call

Present were Ron Evans, Julie Finger, William Meyerchak, Dolores Kemp, Dr. Tricia Tahara-Stoller, Esq. Corey Arzoumanain, Sylvia Kleinhaut, Joseph Kleinhaut

2. SPECIAL GUEST(S)

No Presentations





3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public who want to comment on other matters that not listed on the agenda and under the jurisdiction of the Board please read <u>*Public Comment*</u> on page 3

Owen 22 years old pursuing Recreation Volunteer is a senior in college studying to get his major in Sci + Entrepreneur Business with Political Science, interest in senior living, he will be observing the meeting and wants to begin a handwriting class for seniors to lead a penpal program.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

> Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting on December 13, 2024

The minutes were Seconded by Dr. Tricia Tahara-Stoller. The Board approved the motion to approve the minutes - Five (5) Yes and Zero (0) No.

5. MATTERS UNDER BOARD CONSIDERATION

- > Approval of new Board Members:
 - > Joan Leider for FPAB membership
 - > Jo Ann Lesser for FPAB membership
 - > Cindi Clark for FPAB membership

A motion was made to combine the vote into one vote for all three Candidates. The motion was Seconded By Dolores Kemp and the Board approved the motion to approve FPAB membership for Joan Leider, Jo Ann Lesser, and Cindi Clark - Five (5) Yes and Zero (0) No.

6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

> Aging Site Area exception needed for a new Senior Congregate Meal Service Provider

The Fairfax Senior Center is looking for an Aging Site Area exception to allow another Food provider besides JFS to have a senior congregate meal program. The centers August 2024 CPRA request Is still due from the department of aging. Our legally valid CPRA requested all underlying documents related to JFSLA for LA Department of Aging, Senior Colgate group meal program and the ASA information for the ZIP Code of 90046. This information is needed to understand the contract's default clauses. Is an ASA given up if you are not severing a center, does the center have a right to have a ASA exception granted if no food is being served.

A motion was made to have the Board's Attorney Esq. Corey Arzoumanian go in front of a Los Angeles judge in six month and ask for an exception to be granted for JFSLA's ASA if the centers food program is not reinstated in that time frame. This motion was Seconded and the motion to have a judge look at the case was approved - Five (5) Yes and Zero (0) No.

Ron will contact Los Angeles Department of Aging.





Bingo Food / New Bingo License

Ron present that proving food for the Bingo game is causing budget issues. He loves how the Center has been able to provide food or a snack every week on Wednesdays since JFSLA discounted food service. He thanked everyone that has helped provide the money and time. He stressed that the budget can no longer support the weekly Bingo food and that new accommodations will need to be made.

Inspector Eun Ho at the Los Angeles Police Commission has seen the center's game. He said they were very impressed with our Bingo game. Even with all the activity from the fires, time was still found to help the center get the renewal done in time. A big thank you to Inspector Eun Ho and the Police Commission for their help.

Valentines Day Party

Sylvia has two new volunteers that need to be live scanned, Margy Rothman and Shoshanna (last name needed). She needs more help go clean up after the parties. Those working now are overwhelmed. Ron will try and have the College girls that were at our Holiday Party volunteer to help out again.

➢ Autry Field Trip February 13th

Participants must bring lunch, there may be food trucks. The cost of admission is \$10, a docent tour is provided by the Autry. This will be Jo Ann first field trip. The 1st trip was cancelled due to doctors orders that many Older Adult received about staying indoor and avoiding the smoke. Councilwoman Katy Yaroslavsky, Council District 5 is providing the bus transportation for the Center.

Smart Senior Series

SSS has been well received by seniors at the Fairfax senior citizen center. The program began in September 2024. There has been many presentations on various subjects monthly. Older Adults have asked at certain presentations and presenters to return for a second session.

► Feb 27 Lung Cancer Event with Breathe SoCal – Smart Senior Series event

A Breathe Socal Event at the Fairfax Senior Citizens Center. This event will cover lung issues, such as early detection, lung, health awareness, and other information about lung health and will have a free lung scan for all participants. The event will take place in the auditorium and possibly include seniors from Pam Pacific Senior center and others around the area. We have even included the NA groups and AA groups to participate.

➢ Broad Field Trip March 20th

This will be Cindi's 1st field trip. Older adults will have a guided tour of exhibits at the museum. The cost is five dollars for members \$10 for nonmembers. There is no café in the museum. There are





several restaurants nearby in a 10 minute walking distance there's the California marketplace Cindi Clark will call to learn about ADA compliant issues close to the museum where people will be walking.

St Patrick's Day party

The Center is hoping to put together something with refreshments and entertainment. A potluck lunch was considered the board will solicit ideas from other members of the center. Matter will be discussed in the next park advisory board meeting

> New homeless encampment on east-side of the Center

The center asked for help on Monday and the Encampment was closed down by Thursday.

A big thank you to Councilwoman Katy Yaroslavsky, CD5, Thao Tran, Officer Danzler, LA Parks (RAP) and LA Park Rangers.

> 100 New Chairs for meetings - New Lobby Furniture – Coffee Machine Hook-up Needed

We hope that the order will be filled soon. Ron will email RAP to see if the items can be given to the center. We need to dispose of any chairs that are broken. A motion was suggested that we inquire about a recycling company to pick up the chairs and possibly get money for them and will be discussed in a future meeting. More RAP SOP guidance is needed on the broken chairs. The new Coffee machine that was donated to the center still needs to be install. RAP would not allow JFSLA to drill through the stainless steal counter top to install a water purifier. The center does not want to loss the donation and is asking that RAP provided plastic tubing that will allow installation but not need any drilling through the stainless steal counter top. We are hoping that our local CSY can find a solution for the center's the new coffee machine to be installed.

> Increase RecTrac enrollment at the center

The center is in the process of an enrollment program with 3 volunteers working with Ronald Evans to help increase the centers numbers.

➢ Sidewalk repairs by LA City are postposed until July 2025. Bid Dec 2024 - June 2025

CD5 will be contacted to find out more details. Ron will contact RAP and try and find out more details. We have an email stating that construction should start July 2025.

> ADA ramp construction. No work since the gas line repairs in August 2024

CD5 will be contacted to find out more details. Ron will contact RAP and try and find out more details.

➢ Board Member Presentations, Questions, and February meeting election reminder

None presentations, or questions. Next month is Board member election time.





7. BOARD BUSINESS

Requests by any Board Member(s) to Schedule Specific Future Agenda Items

None

8. NEXT MEETING

February 28, 2025 at 1:15PM

9. ADJOURNMENT

* PUBLIC COMMENT*

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