

Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Stuhr Center Advisory Committee Meeting
Date: October 18, 2010
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Stuhr Center

In Attendance

Committee Members: Doris Regan, Edith Frahm, Dave Magee, Harold Eves, Diane Jarvis

& Norm Vaillancourt

Staff: Lisa Novak, Linda Jo Enger, Ann Satterfield & Emily Kent

Laurel Reilly

I. Call to Order

Guest:

Doris called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. Approval of Minutes

Doris presented the minutes of the previous meeting. Doris made a motion to pass them as written, seconded by Diane and approved unanimously.

III. Financial Report

Doris presented the Checking Account reports.

IV. Old Business

Linda Jo and Lisa updated the Committee on the expansion progress. They have met with the Landscape Architect; they discussed removing the small bridge out front and adding a grass area. There is the possibility of adding a bio-swale for natural drainage. There are many exciting changes and improvements coming and they will keep the Committee up to date. The plan is to start construction in mid-April.

Ann Satterfield talked to the Committee about the Health Fair. There were approximately 250 people in attendance with 50 vendors, two lecture sponsors and lots of great feedback.

Ann also presented the Committee with the 2010 Annual Fitness Leadership Award from the Governor. The award was received due to our fitness program being able to prove that 75% of participants are improving or maintaining their fitness levels. About 1,000 people were in the testing group for these results.

Linda Jo informed the Committee that she has received multiple letters from patrons voicing their concerns about closing the Gift Shop. She reminded the Committee that the Gift Shop must close during construction to have access to both sides of the building. However, she wanted to know the Committee's thoughts about the possibility of making the current Poplar Room into a smaller Gift Shop and not having a Library, once the building re-opens. Norm likes the idea of having a smaller space with more quality items accepted. Edith asked about the current guidelines for accepting items from consigners. She would like to see more high-end, handmade items. Linda Jo told the Committee that as of now there are no written standards for items accepted.

Norm made a motion to downsize and move the Gift Shop to the current Poplar Room to accommodate the need. Diane seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Goals for 2010

- Tuff Shed for the patio, the sewer line is fixed and construction will start soon.
- Internet connection and computer for public, will use old computer from Poplar Room
- Tuff Shed #3, waiting for tree removal report.

Expansion Goals

- Furniture
- TV's in the fitness room
- Walking Path

Laurel informed the Committee about the Beaverton Senior Advisory meetings that she attended. In October, Washington County Hospice came and gave information about their transitional program. This allows patients and families to ease into the Hospice system and learn about services. There was also discussion about the Health Fair and the lower attendance than other years.

Norm mentioned that not mailing the THPRD Activities Guide seems to be affecting attendance in programs. The Committee as a whole agreed that they have heard many complaints about not mailing the Activities Guide and thought it was negatively affecting attendance at the Center.

V. New Business

Lisa informed the Committee that the 4th and final price increase that is scheduled to take place in January would be held off for one year. This price freeze will be at the Stuhr Center only. Currently there are over 200 classes that are not recovering costs. Therefore, next year the price increase will be re-evaluated.

Linda Jo informed the Committee that Linda Aliff received a call from the Leader of the Saturday Social Dance band and due to low attendance they would like to no longer come and play. Linda Jo asked the Committee how they would like to proceed, or if anyone had any ideas. Norm motioned to remove the Saturday Social Dance from the schedule due to low attendance. The last dance will be on October 23rd. Harold seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Linda Jo shared with the Committee a concern that she received from Vicki Adams with Loaves & Fishes. There have been issues in the Dining Room concerning inclusion and diversity. Linda Jo and Vicki would like to join forces to create a code of conduct regarding diversity. Vicki will have members of her Steering Committee work with members of the Stuhr Advisory Committee to establish a code of conduct. Diane, Edith and Dave all volunteered to join the task force. Linda Jo asked to purchase a few Diversity books to have at the Center to use for the Code of Conduct and future trainings. The Committee thought that would be a great start.

May is Older Americans Month and Linda Jo reminded the Committee that they now advise the entire District with older adult issues. Linda Jo would like to see the Committee host events at other Centers throughout the District in May, promoting older adult activities in the District. Linda Jo would like to have the Committee's input over the next few months on ideas for involvement.

Norm asked how the issues in the coffee bar seem to be going. Emily informed him that the new cups have been received and most complaints from volunteers and patrons have stopped.

VI. Next Meeting will be held on Monday, November 8th at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Kent Recording Secretary