

**SALINE AREA SENIOR COUNCIL, INC.**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, February 11, 2019**

The Saline Area Senior Council Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Lucy Crossey at 9:05 AM.

**Roll Call:** President, Lucy Crossey; Vice President, Jim Low; Treasurer, Bill Nicholls; Secretary, Judy Slater; Member-at-Large, Michele Hall; Director, Nancy Cowan; Mayor, Brian Marl.  
Absent due to illness: Community Education Director, Brian Puffer.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Approved and accepted as amended.

**Treasurer's Report:** Income from program fees and dues for the first month do not yet have offsetting expenses, this will change as the year moves on and more expenses come in. The end of year balance is still as expected. Motion made and accepted regarding report.

**Director's Report:** Activity participation statistics are attached to the meeting agenda. Membership has steadily increased over the years. There were 800 dues-paying members in 2018. We take attendance at activities in order to track membership dues payment. Members continue to join throughout the year. The snowbirds have not returned. We will see a spike in membership again in spring.

March/April newsletter went out last week; it has already arrived for some, which is earlier than usual. In order to retain our bulk mail permit, we have to maintain a certain number of pieces, although many are getting their newsletters online or picking them up in the office.

Results of the Membership Survey will be presented at the Board's March meeting. The results so far are quite positive. At first blush, many are rating fitness and trips as very important. Fitness classes have been trending upwards in sign-ups, yet that is not the case with trips. Many individuals say they would like to travel or do day trips but do not sign up - often trips are cancelled due to low enrollment. We are always looking for different trip options. In the March/April Newsletter, volunteers for a trip committee or a volunteer trip planner were solicited.

General Membership meeting attendance continues on the decline. Alternate ideas are being considered. On March 20, the General Membership Meeting will not take place per usual. Instead, the Chili Cook-off will take place. A \$5 fee and registration are required. This is to hold more of a social event as the primary focus and see how interest is. The March Board meeting will still be held and as always, anyone is welcome to attend. The information provided at both meetings is very similar, minus the City and School update.

The Mayor's City Update Lunch will be held Friday, March 15 at noon. Lunch will be provided, courtesy of the Mayor. Registration is required, maximum of 30 seniors in the Saline area.

Closures of the Center are announced on SASC website, Facebook, and Saline Schools website. SASC closes when Saline Schools close. The Center also posts a message on the telephone answering service.

**Suggestion Box:** There were no suggestions.

**President Comments:**

Lucy asked about the Board Policy Manual Review. Nancy replied that she would be setting up a meeting soon.

Lucy reported on the review of Nancy's four-day work schedule. There was support all around from Board members and staff.

Bill asked if this review would be performed yearly, or if the four day schedule would become a permanent job description. The Board agreed to conduct the review every February prior to the annual budget process.

**Board Comments:** Jim announced that the Horizons Band concert will be Sunday, February 17 at 3 PM at Saline Middle School.

Brian Marl said that there would be a press release about the Mayor's Luncheon at SASC on March 15. The event will be open to any senior in the community.

Public Comments: Norma asked about having gluten-free food at the Mayor's lunch on March 15. Mayor Marl answered that there would be a gluten free option.

**Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 AM.**

**Submitted by Secretary, Judy Slater**