

**SALINE AREA SENIOR COUNCIL, INC.**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, April 15, 2019**

The Saline Area Senior Council Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Lucy Crossey at 9:02 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; Community Education Director, Brian Puffer.

Audience member in attendance: Norma Smith

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Approved and accepted as amended. (correct spellings: "form" to "from" and "Hees" to "Hess")

**Treasurer's Report:** Approved and accepted.

**Director's Report:**

The Chili Cook-off was successful and fun: about 70 SASC members attended; 10 competitors offered delicious chili, which was great involvement.

Ed's Bread is going out of business; we are grateful for all the years they have donated bread to the Senior Center for Friday distribution to members. Panera bread and pastries are a day old; we do not order them, but get what they have to offer at the end of their business day, Brian suggested that perhaps Bakers Nook might be able to offer day-old bagels, scones, donuts.

The May-June Newsletter is out. The Board is encouraged to attend SASC Volunteer Appreciation on Friday, April 26 at 1 PM. A "Welcome Back Snowbirds Party is May 22 at noon. All members are welcome.

The Waiver of Liability update: two of the three persons have signed the waiver. The third person continues to ask questions about privileges of membership, which are written in the newsletter and have been explained several times. Membership includes the privilege of attending SASC free events, including education and bread. One also must be a member in good standing to attend GM Lunches and other programs. There are some special events (like the Mayor's Conference) which do not require membership. Paid classes can also be taken by non-members for an additional fee of \$5 per class, a waiver is still required.

Nancy reported the current status of the ambulance cost reimbursement request by a member. If there are member or participant or staff injuries at SASC, it is protocol for SASC to call for help of first responders who usually recommend ambulance conveyance to the hospital. It is the person's prerogative to refuse ambulance conveyance. SASC does not pay for ambulance transport.

The Membership Survey results show that fitness is top priority; including interest in a fitness equipment room. Funds we have and grants to seek may provide support; and perhaps set a separate fee for those interested in being users. Further consideration will be given to the possibility.

Travel was also a high priority on the Membership Survey; perhaps directing members to other resources may be the solution since SASC cannot usually fill a bus. SASC niche is fitness; Pittsfield Senior Center niche is travel.

Bylaws and Constitution changes were presented. It was moved and approved to accept the proposed changes as presented, then to review the changed document for approval (a vote) at the May General Membership Board.

SASC Proposed Budget for 2019-2020, Draft 1 - April 2019 was presented. Member Norma Smith suggested a Year to Date and forecast for the Board on the budget. Future Board meetings will be presented with updates to the proposed budget. Vote on the budget will take place at the June 2019 Board Meeting.

Ideas were discussed on generating more revenue in the future, marketing, getting sponsorships, naming rights, reaching out to the community, and asking for help from members with expertise. Also looking at the possibility of creating a "Friends of SASC" organization in the future.

Recreation registration software will be implemented in the future. It will facilitate signing up online, securing credit card payment and monitoring minimum and maximum sign ups. It is a cloud-based system performing updates. QuickBooks was brought up to date prior in 2018 by moving to a cloud based system. Now a registration software is the next step.

**Suggestion Box:**

The Seder talk was complimented; suggestion was made for similar presentations from other faiths.

**President Comments:**

None

**Comments:**

Jim announced a New Horizons concert on Sunday, May 19, 3 PM at the Methodist church.

**Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM.**

**Submitted by Secretary, Judy Slater**