

**Center 50+ Advisory Commission
Tuesday, July 2, 2019 – Minutes**

ATTENDING MEMBERS: Alise Liepnieks, Allen Jakobitz, Beth Jackson, Billie Larson, John Hughes, Jon Deming, Mel Fuller, Nancy Ross, Rebekah Smith, Sandy Kinney.

Staff: Marilyn Daily-Blair, Kanoe Barth, Bonnie Katich, Suzanne Bishop

OPENING EXERCISES: At 9:04 a.m. the meeting was opened by C50+AC President Rebekah Smith and roll call was taken. Introduction of new commission members: Jon Deming of Salem Health; John Hughes of local in-home care agency; Nancy Ross representing Friends of the Salem Senior Center.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Agenda for this meeting was unanimously approved. Motion by Sandy Kinney, seconded by Billie Larson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the May 7th meeting were unanimously approved. Motion by Sandy Kinney, seconded by Mel Fuller.

PUBLIC COMMENT – N/A

ACTION ITEMS—Commission members unanimously voted that the date of this year’s C50+AC retreat for trainings and goal setting will be August 20.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Center 50+ Director –

- Director Daily-Blair distributed her director’s report dated 7/2/19. Event and program highlights were covered.
- The director reported on the Center’s funding streams. Friends of the Salem Senior Center had a very successful year of fundraising. Billie Larson had been representing the Friends Board on this advisory commission, but her term there has expired. Billie is remaining on the commission, now serving as a citizen member.
- Friendship Brigade’s annual report for the first year of the two-year grant was distributed, and Director Daily went over highlights. Pets are a new addition to the visitor program, which received a \$40,000 addition to the grant for this purpose.
- Because of the Age-Friendly Project, Center 50+ received a \$17,300 grant from AARP, which is being used to provide free “Pop-Up Downtown” classes. These classes are open to all ages.

- LLL Coordinator Bonnie Katich gave the LLL report. Highlights: computer classes taught by Digital Natives averaged 19 students this session. Baking class reached 22 students last time.
- Fitness Coordinator Kanoe Barth reported that the Fitness Center now has 337 members. Healthy Living lectures are averaging 10 students. A kayaking/paddleboard trip on the Willamette River is scheduled for August 15th.
- The Director reminded the group of maintenance closure during the last two weeks of August.
- All commission members are invited to the Age Friendly Celebratory Luncheon on September 6th. The mayor and a representative from AARP plan to attend. The event is RSVP only.
- An upcoming remodel to the reception will create a security kiosk at the entrance. New volunteer management software will also be launched in September.

Friends Fundraising – Friends Board President Nancy Ross reported. In October Friends will hold another evening Bingo fundraising event. Nancy commented that first-time visitors at Reception often ask what it costs to become a member, and they are surprised there is not membership fee.

Intergenerational Work Group – Allen Jakobitz reported. Billie, Rebekah, Allan, and Marilyn are part of the group, and any other commission members or non-members are welcome to join them. The group participated in Public Works Day. Intergenerational activities planned: 1. Building ukuleles with teen groups and learning how to play. 2. Cleanup at people’s homes and yards. 3. Community block party.

Fix-it Brigade – Allen Jakobitz reported no changes.

Director Daily distributed a “Safe Drinking Water” flier.

ADJOURNMENT—10:19 a.m.