



SALINE AREA SENIOR COUNCIL, INC.
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 22, 2024

Meeting began at 9am

Roll Call: President, Cindy Sobotta; Vice President, Kathy Lawless; Treasurer, Mark Sockness; Secretary, Cora Rogers; Member at Large, Sue Kelch; City of Saline, Jack Ceo; and Director, Nancy Cowan

Excused Absence: Community Ed Director, Brian, Puffer

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion made to accept minutes as corrected for a typo, carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Mark Sockness. SASC is in a good position financially. Surplus currently is mainly due to the interest from CDs. Motion made to accept report as given, carried unanimously.

Director's Report: (Nancy)

The New Year's Celebration had great attendance, 76 participants. It was a murder mystery theme.

The Jan/Feb registrations and 2024 memberships are in full swing.

We have had a couple of closures due to weather this month, leading to a few program cancellations on those dates. Members do receive credits on their accounts for such closures where the classes can't be made up.

Bond Update

On January 17, SASC staff and Board met with the Core Bond Team and architects. Overall there was good discussion. SASC made clear what its needs are – additional space, multi-use space, entrance, parking, staff offices, the flow of old and new part of the building to mesh together.

Much discussion took place regarding the multi-use space; that the space would not just be suitable for pickleball but also expansion of other programs such as volleyball, basketball, badminton, walking, etc. This will be a challenge to accomplish in the space allocated. The possibility of STEAM staying all in the MS and SASC keeping some more of its currently dedicated space was talked about. Steve Laatsch said he would provide more information once all the stakeholders had been met with.

At the Jan 12 meeting, Nancy provided the Bond sheet again showing the dollar and square footage that was promoted to voters during the Bond process. There was not a clear response at the meeting on if as to if that will be fulfilled. The importance of transparency and following through for the voters and community was stressed by SASC.

Currently SASC is waiting for the next step. Nancy will be working on a survey to send members as well, so they may respond regarding what is important to them.

Documenting the process, meetings, and steps will be important as we move forward. We need some more information to make some decisions on a multi-use space and it SASC should/could fundraise for whatever is not included in the Bond.

Board Announcements: On behalf of Brian Puffer, Nancy shared that the Spring Craft Show will take place March 16, VIP passes are in the SASC Office.

Motion to close meeting at 9:46am.

Minutes submitted by Cora Rogers, Secretary.