

## **The Almaden Senior Association Meeting Minutes of the Meeting of March 7, 2018**

### **President Bill Hubka opened the meeting at 9:45am**

He commented that a second meeting was held to discuss the Honoring Pat Dando project and that Johnny Khamis will report on the meeting today.

**Acting Secretary Marlene Duffin** presented the Minutes of the February meeting. They were approved without change.

**Treasurer Art Randall** reported the income for February was \$4,810.81, and expenses were \$1,944.09. He noted that the Soup Party made \$685 and the Casino trip \$841.

### **Councilmember Johnny Khamis**

- Councilmember Khamis reported on the recent meeting held to review ideas on honoring Pat Dando. A proposal has been made to construct a memorial at the front entrance to the Community Center, consisting of a statue of Pat either sitting on or standing beside a bench. The idea is similar to a memorial presently located in Jeffery Fontana Park. The new proposal also would create a \$100,000 scholarship for education which may be administered by the library. The project would be entirely privately funded. The proposal to rename the Community Center has been dropped. Johnny promised to keep our group fully informed as this idea matures.
- The requirements for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), also known as “Granny Units” were discussed. These requirements are available in detail on the City of San Jose website. The main message is that the ADUs are permissible and could help to ease the shortage of homes and apartments in the San Jose area.
- The police department has increased officer staffing from 850 to 940; the target goal is 1150. The burglary unit is also being reinstated.
- In order to help reduce the amount of debris and litter on the city streets and highways, the CHP was contacted about increasing the level of enforcement of uncovered trucks on the freeways. Early results included the issuing of about 70 citations for uncovered trucks.
- The Tiny Homes issue for District 10 has been put to rest. No land is available to construct these units in this area.
- The April Community Clean-Up the Earth will be for the whole month. The Council District with the most volunteers will get a trophy. It was mentioned that a clean-up around the library/community center is needed. Our District wants to be the winner!

### **PRNS**

**Adriana Copado Gerontology Specialist** reported we have 1053 members to date.

- Expenses for February were \$468; Membership Revenue at end of February was \$10,025.99.
- A number of new courses are being offered at the Center, including beginning Spanish and International Cuisine.

### **Dominique Pacolba Center Supervisor**

- Facility upgrades are in progress, the installation of some new sliding interior doors.
- The Lock-Down with the SJ Police Department went well. The Center learned some important lessons, and improvements will be made to procedures to handle potential security incidents.

- She announced Friday “Neighbor Nights” April 13, Paint Night, and May 11 Silent Disco.

**Events Calendar Updates: Vice President Rich Sanders**

- Noted that the Steinbeck Museum trip was very successful. The museum was very interesting, and lunch in the original home of Steinbeck was very enjoyable.
- Rich announced Donna Smith and Ralph Butterworth as new members on the Events and Trips Planning Committee; Ralph will work on non-casino trips and Bea Haddad will concentrate on Casino Trips.
- A Motion was made and passed to approve the expense of \$875 for the trip to Red Hawk Casino.

**Tom Murphy Audit Committee:**

Tom reported on the audit of the 2017 finances of the Association. He concluded the Association handles their money in their account effectively and with substantial documentation to account for collection and disbursement of their funds. There were a few minor concerns including seeing vouchers without receipts and finding money envelopes with slight discrepancies.

It was recommended that when money is deposited in the safe there should be two signatures on the envelope. Treasurer Art Randall was commended for doing an outstanding job. The Treasurer has a large amount of information in his computer and it would help the audit if that info was accessible for the audit.

A suggestion was made, not as part of the audit, that the Association consider putting surplus funds into CD's. The Auditor's Report was accepted and the Committee members thanked the auditor.

**Marlene Duffin Historian:**

Marlene reported that she had finished working on 3 large containers of Bev Temin's historian records. She has 2 more to go but felt it was time to work on Bill Hubka's idea of a “Wall of Fame”, for a wall across from the first floor Board Room. She shared interesting pictures from Bev's archives showing art work around the Center with descriptive information. Important individuals and events will be on wall. Doris Michael volunteered to help with the project.

**Tom Trudell, Friends of the Almaden Library,** discussed a problem the “Used Book Sales” has with left over books after the sale. The reseller who would usually pick them up was going out of business. The organization needs to figure out what to do with all the left over books. Anyone with sources or ideas are encouraged to email Tom at [tatrudell@gmail.com](mailto:tatrudell@gmail.com).

Respectfully submitted by Marlene Duffin