

**The Almaden Senior Association  
Minutes of the Meeting of  
February 6, 2019**

**President Bill Hubka** opened the meeting at 9:45am. He introduced Recreation Superintendent Laura Buzo from the San Jose Parks and Recreation Department. Laura oversees several Community Centers in the City, including Almaden, as well as the nutrition program.

Laura reported that Nutrition Program numbers are decreasing and the Department will have to make decisions on this overall program. The Almaden Center has consistent numbers and a large attendance, 65-75 persons. Target for the nutrition program is all older adults in the community to eat and socialize. Some transportation is provided by the City.

**Minutes were discussed and accepted.** Bill also noted our Web site remodel is in a planning phase and the Audit Committee is still working.

**Treasurer Art Randall** noted January Income of \$5567.75 and expenses of \$1,964.60. The Soup Party was a financial success; other events are being reconciled.

**Councilmember Johnny Khamis** announced he is planning to run for State Senator. A Campaign Kickoff Meeting will be held on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

The PG& E bankruptcy has concerned the City enough that a lawyer has been hired to make sure the City gets money that PG&E owes. The electrical transmission fee has been increased by PG&E. He thinks the low cost programs will still be available under the new electric company.

The VTA bus and light rail spur service to Almaden Valley are being considered for cutting. There will be a bus from the Chynoweth Station to the parking lot at the leg spur. Ridership numbers are low on that route.

The Shade Structure for Almaden Center may be part of the Mayor's budget.

**Denelle Fedor** reported that Elements Restaurant is still working to find space in the Camden Safeway area. Cahalan Square people are working with San Jose Building Dept. to rebuild.

A Senior Walk will be held on Friday Feb 22 at Oakridge Mall, 8am.

Denelle is working on a Care Giving information brochure.

### **PRNS Reports**

**Adriana Copado** reported that we have 1000 members to date. Spring Session starts Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>; we have some new offerings.

### **Member Reports**

**Rich Sanders** is working on the St Patrick's Day event; he is also planning a May Pizza Party.

**Mardi Gras:** 115 attended; good entertainment, food, and dancing; excellent meal prepared by Almaden Chefs; National Charity League helped serve and clean up.

**Philanthropy Team**

**Martie Degutis** reported the committee is working on forms, applications and policy.

**District 10 Leadership**

**Jim Kuhl** reported that Mike Wasserman was the lead speaker and that homelessness was the major topic. County report says 64% homeless have mental and/or physical drug or alcohol-related disabling conditions; 83% have lived here at least one year before they came homeless; 43% of homeless individuals are under 25 years of age; 89% of the people want to move into shelters.

**Wall of Fame**

**Marlene Duffin** handed out an early history of the Almaden Senior Association (1994-2006). This will be condensed and be part of the first early history panel on the proposed Wall of Fame on the Center entrance right hand wall towards the workout room.

**Meeting adjourned**