

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

President Bill Hubka opened the meeting at 9:45am.

He noted that the Board Meeting was very productive. A Bylaws review has been scheduled, to be done by Rich Sanders and Marlene Duffin. An Operating Budget will be developed by Rich Sanders, Art Randall and himself, and he encouraged anyone with ideas to come forth. Within the next 12 months we expect to organize Candidate Forums for the upcoming elections for State Senate District 15 and City Council District 10; the first of these could be held as early as January 2020.

It was requested that the Association organize a meeting to review the new City Clean Energy Program so people will better understand what's involved and what to expect.

Minutes of the February 2019 meeting were reviewed and accepted for the record.

Treasurer Art Randall reported for February: Income \$2270.65, Expenses \$2774.98, Ending YTD Balance \$3098.82.

Councilmember Johnny Khamis reported as follows:

- The Pat Dando Memorial project is progressing well; the donations were oversubscribed and the sculpture design is progressing to fruition.
- Kaiser Hospital has donated \$12,000 for equipment and materials for seniors in various community centers. Almaden was not included in the distribution.
- Sheep will be brought into in Oak Grove Park this weekend to eat down low vegetation.
- Height limitation for downtown buildings is being discussed by the Council in terms of interference of flight operations at SJC. Aircraft using SJC are required to maintain certain altitude limits on takeoff, which change with weather conditions. This affects certain heavier-loaded flights, such as China long haul flights and some cargo carriers. To allow Goggle to build higher buildings in the new developments downtown this issue needs to be resolved.

Assistant to Councilman Khamis Denelle Fedor said the Senior Walk was successful. She also reported that Kiddie Academy is ready to open, and that Elements restaurant is working on their building in the Safeway Center to prepare for opening.

PRNS Reports

Center Supervisor Tiffany Dong introduced **Mary Ann Burke** who is recruiting volunteers to serve on the Measure H Citizens Bond Oversight Committee. For more information and a CBOC application visit go.sjUSD.org/measurehcboc, or call (408)535-6000.

Tiffany also introduced **Josue Covarrubias** from PRNS. He is replacing Tracy Gott who chaired the Advisory Council Coordination effort. President Bill spoke positively about the need to keep the meetings with all the Community Center Associations, and preparing a list of points of contact for the many Community Center Advisory Boards.

Gerontologist Specialist Adriana Copado gave the Association Membership Report. We have 1085 members to date. Spring Session starts Feb 20. Senior Adult Legal Assistance (SALA) will have a meeting at the Center in March to discuss Adult Fraud and Abuse.

On March 20 the Community Resource Solutions SourceWise will give a presentation. SourceWise assists people with finding and obtaining community resources available to you and your family.

A Clean Energy program briefing is being scheduled at the Center to help seniors read their new billings and develop a better understanding of the electrical energy company. This meeting will meet the need communicated in the President's opening remarks.

New table tennis tables are needed and should be commercial grade. Four older tables will be delivered from Seven Trees Community Center and with repair may keep the program going.

Curtains in Community Room will not be replaced because most facility dollars allocated this year will be used to replace the electrical panel damaged by water. Repairs to the curtain operating mechanism should be included in the next budget year.

A new Teen Center will open in April to be in the Game Room.

Neighbor Night is this Friday.

On May 19 the Viva Calle will be held downtown. A Flash mob will be part of the event.

Events and Trips

Rich Sanders said St Patrick's Day event was on track and beer will be served. Country Inn is providing the food at \$14 per meal.

May Pizza Party with root beer floats and cake for dessert is all set up.

June Talent Show is questionable; MORE talent is needed

Trips planners are working on Cirque Du Soleil, Graton Casino and other adventures.

Alcatraz trip has been planned for Tues May 14th.

A suggestion was made to start a Cribbage Group. This was referred to Adriana.

Plays, including The Book of Mormon and Wicked, are in the works.

Audit Report: Tom Murphy and Jeanne Sanders worked on the 2018 audit of the Treasurer's books. Audit showed the Treasurer has the books in excellent order.

Charitable Donation policy: **Martie Degutis** reported that some changes have been made and the revised policy was distributed. Final policy will be voted on at the next meeting.

District 10 Leadership Group Jim Kuhl handed out a flyer announcing a meeting in March to discuss Coyote Valley Preservation. Meeting will be open to the public.

Meeting adjourned.