# The Almaden Senior Association Minutes of the Meeting of July 03, 2019

**Vice President Rich Sanders** opened the meeting at 9:45am.

He noted that the Association Meeting Room will change during the summer and return to normal in the fall because of summer camps.

**Minutes of the June meeting** were reviewed and approved as presented.

**Treasurer Art Randall** noted June Deposits of \$5,158, Expenses of \$3,668, and Year to Date Operating Income of \$2,818. He noted there were some refunds for the Elkhorn Slough and casino trips. Mexican Fiesta expenses slightly exceeded income due to entertainment and food costs. The June Report was filed for audit.

# Councilmember Johnny Khamis reported as follows:

Some items that we wanted in the new City Budget were approved:

- Funding for the umbrella (sun shade) project in the Community Center patio was approved.
- He was also allocated some CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) funds.
- His staff is working hard on the 4th of July event; costs increased \$6000 for fireworks.
- The Highway 85 study showed that light rail is not feasible in some areas of the road; it was recommended that an extra lane be added for buses.
- A new bus schedule has been implemented in Almaden. The VTA Light Rail from Almaden to Ohlone/Chenowyth is proposed to be discontinued and replaced by bus
- Phase 1 of the BART extension to San Jose is on track to begin passenger service by December.
- San Jose Clean Energy rates have increased because PG&E transmission rates have increased. There is great concern about the possibility of rolling black-outs happening which are designed to prevent wildfires. The City is concerned and is creating plans to equip Community Centers with generators or batteries.

#### **PRNS Report:**

#### **Gerontology Specialist Anne Marie Naranjo:**

- The Association has 1266 members as of the end of April.
- She discussed expenses paid from the Senior Association membership fund.
- The Nutrition program had a special Father's Day lunch and July 4th cookies for that celebration.
- The Association requested a more detailed explanation of expenses that were not part of specific events. An upcoming special event is the Summer Music in the Park. A

question was raised as to where the money goes that volunteers collect during the music programs. Tiffany Dong replied that it is given to the Almaden Advisory Council. It was suggested that we learn how the money is allocated; **Vice President Rich Sanders** volunteered to follow up on this issue.

• A survey is being distributed to people that use the Center.

**Center Supervisor Tiffany Dong** reported that the projector is fixed. She also reported that the curtains behind the screen are in process of being rehung.

A senior electrician is working on the electric panels and they should be fixed soon. The parking area has been re-striped; they only need to paint the curbs red.

### **Member Reports**

**Vice President Rich Sanders** updated the Events and Trips plans:

- Chardonnay II sailing trip has been added on August 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Beach Blanket Babylon tickets will go on sale July 22nd for an Oct 20th event.

**Jeanne Sanders** reported on the Mexican Fiesta. 119 persons attended; there was good food and great Folkloric dancers. Golden Harvest Catering provided the food.

**Vice President Rich Sanders** mentioned that a policy and procedure is being written which will enable implementation of the proposed Bylaws update allowing the Treasurer to open new accounts for savings and investment purposes. A vote on the proposed change has been tabled until the policy/procedure is approved.

**Philanthropy Chair Martie Degutis** reported that 10 of the donated backpacks were taken from the lobby over the weekend. This theft was very disappointing to all concerned. Arrangements have been made to keep the filled backpacks in Anne Marie's office. The Committee has \$750 to replace the stolen backpacks.

## **Old Business**

Advertising with The Almaden Times was discussed. The Association approved to pay \$100 monthly for event/trip advertising. We will endeavor to find out where people learn about our activities during the next 6 months to justify the expense.

We will have a recruitment booth at the Almaden Lake Park 4th of July event. Volunteers will be handing out various literatures to highlight our association and activities.

# Meeting adjourned.