

## Minutes

### Cascades Senior Center Advisory Board Meeting

March 26, 2015, Action Items are underlined.

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Present: Chair Pravin Gandhi, vice chair and treasurer Bob Charnoff, secretary Mary Ellen Bowers, Yadu Mather, Olga Ricciardi, Margo DeLong, Sonja Shockey, Susie McCarron, Charlotte Nurge, Ruth Johnson, Susan Louis, Bill Pruiett, Brenda Davis, Erik Onate

Guests: Donna Cassani, Charline Lareau

Minutes of the January 22, 2015 meeting were approved.

Donna Cassani and Charline Lareau were voted in as new members of the board, each to serve a two-year term.

**Chair Pravin Gandhi.** Pravin opened a discussion about a possibility of the Advisory Board offering a few Casino Night tickets gratis to those few who might be in need. Pravin suggested that if someone in need comes to Brenda's attention, she will bring it to the Advisory Board.

**Manager's Report:** Brenda presented the new tee-shirt with the Cascades Senior Center name and logo. The shirt will sell for \$15, cash and the XXL is \$18. All proceeds go to the Advisory Board. The initial purchase was 150 at approximately \$10 each.

Brenda said that Carrie Randolph, Café supervisor, has requested funds in the amount of \$550--\$600 to host a Volunteer Recognition event in the fall. There are between 150-200 volunteers at any time at the Center. The board approved the request.

**Casino Night.** Erik Onate reported that we already have some gift cards to be raffled off at Casino night. Entertainment has been secured—a 5-piece jazz quintet that will play music from the Roaring 20's. Erik asked that we help with the theme—flappers, boas, pinstripe suits, etc. The casino team has been secured also. The invitation we have is JUST an invitation, not a ticket. Tickets must be purchased at the Center. Each ticket is numbered on the back and we need to give Brenda those numbers when we sell the tickets. Pravin suggested we ask retailers, restaurants, etc. for gift certificates as well as gift baskets to raffle.

Checks for Casino night will be accepted up to April 15, after that cash only for Casino night tickets. All checks are to be made out to the Cascades Senior Center Advisory Board. Tickets are \$20 for members and \$25 for non members.

All Advisory Board members should email Susan Louis at [Slouis1204@aol.com](mailto:Slouis1204@aol.com) to advise her of the companies, restaurants, from which they have received gift certificates and the amounts of each gift

certificate. Susan will attempt to post a current update of raffle sources and the amounts in a link on our website. This will enable Advisory Board members to go in and check on the status of the raffle ticket sources and amounts.

**Treasurer's report:** Bob announced that our checking account balance at Cardinal Bank on January 31, 2015 was \$6,412.54. February deposits totaled \$325 from Curio Cabinet, ceramics sales and a donation.

The Knit and Crochet group donates everything it makes to county charities and they have asked the Advisory Board for \$500 for supplies. Of that amount, we have already given them a check for \$200 (issued Feb., 2015) and the board voted to approve the amount of \$300.

For our May 14, 2015 Casino Night, Bob signed a contract and wrote a check in February in the amount of \$1,995 to Vegas Time Associates for gaming tables, slot machines, and casino staff. A contract was signed for the amount \$750 to a jazz quintet which will present "A Great Gatsby Party." We paid only one-half--\$375 to the order of Christiana Drapkin, a singer and band leader. Another check was written in the amount of \$1,488 to ADJ for 150 tee-shirts. Once all these checks clear, our balance will stand at \$2,654.54

Bob announced a substantial donation in the offing. Donna Cassani advised that Falcon's Landing received a trophy and cash award from the Community Foundation for Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties and the ability to donate \$1,000 to a county nonprofit of their choosing and they have chosen our Advisory Board. Falcon's Landing's ceo will present the check to us at their location in April.

Curio Cabinet. Ruth Johnson advised that our January revenue was \$77, February sales were \$217 and the stationary glass cabinets are doing very well in sales. Bad weather prohibited opening the curio cabinet sales one time in February. Ruth requested more donations

Sunshine: Olga reported that she sent sympathy cards to the family of Vinod Bagal. Cards to Frank Barkasy, John Judge and has talked with Ray Ehrenbeck and Dorothy Coffman.

Chair Gandhi adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Next meeting, April 23, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ellen Bowers, secretary