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MINUTES

Community Center Complex Advisory Board February 20, 2018 7:30pm

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Attendance - Paul Kubler, Chris Levy, Greg Waks, Rob DeFelice, Evelyn Ankers, Sudha Suryadevara, Karen Huller, Terry Stevens
3. Approval of January 16th minutes - approved
4. Staff Report
 - a. Entrance Sign
 - i. Received new quote and new rendering
 - ii. \$20,989. \$22,500 was budgeted; \$19,488 was original
 - iii. Includes installation
 - iv. Timeline is forthcoming
 - b. BCA Grant
 - i. Heather is composing grant application for Red cross mannequins
 1. \$2107 for 8 adult, 8 infant manequunns and 2 AD trainers
 - ii. There will not be a joint application with the Senior Center
 - iii. 3 new people on BCA board.
 1. David Karan is sick
 2. Eric Pearson, new casino President, will replace Mike Bowman. Sat in last year, but had not participated
 3. Brett is replacing another member Scott Milner family is relocating to Paris
 4. Lydia Sardinias the only person still there who has reviewed the applications before
 - iv. Casino never filled their 2nd spot
 - c. Lower Level Renovation
 - i. Nearly complete
 - ii. Items of note

1. Locks on doors – Swipers are battery operated. Working with IT to figure out a solution
 2. Floor in the mind/body room – color is varied in one area; contractors will be fixing it
 3. Dan Russell has quote from a lock company. Working with IT on timeline for apartment-style buzzers for seniors
- d. Summer Camp Preview/Camp Guide – Unveiled Thursday
 - i. 6-8 PM at C3
 - ii. Camp instructors will be in attendance
 - iii. Games will be played to entice engagement with instructors
 - iv. ADC will be at Roberts or Middle School; ADC2 is at C3
 - e. Summer activity guide will come out 4.20.18
 - i. Will include programs and activities from June – Labor Day.
 - ii. Rooms downstairs will help with reconfiguring programming space and accommodating additional programming and demand for pickleball
 - iii. Tae Kwon Do Mon-Thurs 6-8:30 will relocate
 - f. Passholder Update
 - i. 344 new members in 2018; Includes renewals and new members
 - ii. Total of 2,110 as of Jan 31st
 - iii. Lucille Roberts/Curves conversions - New numbers will be e-mailed 2/21/18
 - g. Website Update
 - i. Most info was migrated
 - ii. Allison from PMPIO and slowly updating to reflect current happenings, e.g. summer camps, rentals
 - h. Sensitivity Training
 - i. 2/26, 2/27 6-7 PM at Township Building
 - ii. All full-time, part-time, citizen boards
 - iii. Seasonal employees will have dates in the near future
5. Board of Supervisors Liaison Report
 - a. Went 6 weeks without a meeting - Early in January and late in February
 - b. Project program with foundation providing 10 family memberships has been approved.
 - i. The BOS does not/will not know who those families are
 - ii. Not sure at this time if any of those families have already started using C3
 - iii. High School social worker said there are more than enough families who could use this
 - iv. If families do not use, the program will be re-evaluated or those memberships may be reallocated
 - c. Eagles will be at the casino two weekends
 - d. Eagles proclamation by Bridgeport Mayer was a nice gesture
 6. Park and Recreation Advisory Board Liaison Report
 - a. 2 UMBA reps attended last meeting to formally request approval to demolish old press box
 - i. Will replace with 2x24 structure with kitchen and concession stand that they are funding

- ii. Township will be able to use it for camps
- b. Farmers Market Manager position appears to have been filled
- c. Emerald Ash Borer logging contractor approved to clear the disease-prone trees at Heuser park and surrounding parcels
 - i. Work will begin in March
 - ii. Wood will be sold
 - iii. Was difficult to find contractors
 - iv. Lucky to break even
- d. Pickleball –
 - i. Rob received many comments that this is the nicest facility in the area
 - ii. Ordering new orange indoor balls
 - iii. Wednesday night after-work programming could enhance passholder memberships
 - iv. Average 32 players on Sundays
 - v. Several (at least 4-5) meetup members have joined. Friday evening and Sundays
 - vi. Saturday morning is also popular, but a whole different group
 - vii. Those who don't join come back and pay \$10
 - viii. GlennAnne had asked front desk to track who payed open gym fee for pickleball - 9 paid through mid-January
 - ix. Since December, how many non-residents became members? Numbers not available, but can be provided
 - x. Highest trending sport with 3M players in 2018

7. Senior Center Representative Liaison Report

- a. Terry requested update from President about BCA grant
 - i. Inquired after board meeting, as advised
 - ii. President was not willing to share with “layers of people”
 - iii. Someone had approached President and he sent a letter
 - iv. President is still being onboarded
 - v. Board meeting last was cancelled for weather - They may not have met for 2 months.
 - vi. Under consideration – no decision
 - 1. \$4K to subsidize quarterly bus trips
 - 2. declining sign ups attributed to cost
 - a. Daylin Leach had gotten grant and they all remember when the bus was free
 - 3. 1900 for 2 desktop computers for a new part-time employee and replacement for accountant
 - a. Still a lot of absences, illnesses; new employee is there to augment
 - b. Cross-training suggested to improve redundancy
 - 4. \$1600 for folding wall for great room to block sound when two activities are going on
 - a. A partition was procured but was not floor to ceiling
 - b. Original request by senior center was for petition, but was not granted

- vii. Senior Center has traditionally received BCA grant
 - 1. Must Report on how grant is used is required
 - 2. Random audits are conducted
- b. Parking still bad on Monday morning – 40 play Mahjong and then 40 more do Zumba plus a discussion group 8-16 people
- c. Perception of C3 as non-welcoming
- d. A lot of newly retired people, but they are not coming in
 - i. New activities suggested to draw them in
 - ii. They got accustomed to only having activities at certain times to accomodate school district and no longer have those time constraints
 - iii. Terry is going to conduct online survey, printed, mailed to see what demand is for new programming
- e. Garden club in dry season can water the patio
- f. Have to prop the door open because it will lock
 - i. Questioned why the door wouldn't work
 - ii. There is a key, but difficult to operate
 - iii. Propping door can lead to pets problems in kitchen

8. Old Business-

- a. Lower level visit
- b. Backlighting – electrician is awaiting options and quotes and believes backlighting will work
- c. Branding and corporate memberships –
 - i. Options for corporations – bring them in as a group
 - ii. In conversation with School District (500-600 employees)
 - iii. Dentist office registered 7-8 passholders
 - iv. Individuals who work in township may also apply – not sure of those numbers
 - v. Programming – GroupX was revamped from Jan – May based on feedback that previous times didn't work for corporate niche
 - 1. Offered early morning, mid-day, after work
 - vi. Corporate members come with 25% discount on pool
 - vii. Tells them if they have a special need or desire to have a corporate program, e.g. corporate dodgeball, it can be accommodated
 - viii. Is Casino a prospect? New management company has history of community involvement
- d. The upstairs heat –
 - i. Use a large utility fan that is used for certain classes
 - ii. Get reversible fan that can be used for both seasons

9. New Business

- a. Resident, member of Lifetime, didn't know the C3 existed
 - i. Is there more that can be done, especially on the outskirts of the township.
- b. Charter members were offered 3 free months for renewing
 - i. Discussed new rolling membership policy, and is still going public
 - ii. A letter was written and it was passed to Dan
 - iii. Charter members will now also have rolling memberships, but they have to renew first

- c. What is passed to board for discussion
 - i. Decisions on what to present to advisory board are made on case-by-case basis
 - ii. Boundaries are fuzzy, which is good or bad
 - iii. Decisions are still made by the P&R department
 - iv. No votes are allowed outside of meeting
 - v. Board requests e-mail notification of ongoing business
 - vi. Do board members get hats?
- d. Multi-purpose court has blue spots.
 - i. Gerry T. is taking a look
 - ii. UMBA programs are leaving the marks
 - iii. It can be cleaned, but must use more than water
 - iv. Erasure shows damage to finish
 - v. Ask UMBA to clean the floors
- e. Coat/bag cubicles need cleaning/wiping
- f. No limite to capacity for center
 - i. Pool capacity is 2000 members
 - ii. Not all attend at the same time
- g. Footsall rented on a Sunday
 - i. There was a gym attendant.
 - ii. Started before closing, stayed for 3 hours
- h. Indoor nets when not used should be put aside
 - i. Gym attendants will be made aware
- i. Sundays for Pickelball, basketball nets go up first
- j. Complaints about court usage is byproduct of growing
 - i. Issue came up last year, too
 - ii. The season for indoor sports/training
 - iii. It's temporary, and no guarantees for gym availability
 - iv. Not different than waiting for tennis courts, playground
 - v. Time limits on open gym
 - vi. Will dictate sharing
 - vii. Volunteer coaches in township have time allocated; some opt to purchase additional time
- k. Spin room – upgrading MyZone.
 - i. Working with them
 - ii. It is moving forward
 - iii. Additional monitor
- l. Ability to advertise in activity guide
 - i. No outside ads in summer activity guide
 - ii. Reach out to Public Information Office – Allison Pim Library, senior center have those opportunities
 - iii. Did not want to approach space
 - iv. Township Lines accepts some ads, but needs to be balanced with content
 - v. King of Prussia News started to accept more ads
- m. April or May Workshop with township BOS –
 - i. Paul will send out the preliminary draft
 - ii. We will coordinate to present well
- n. Liheap info for PECO

- i. Link to website, given to Terry for senior center
 - ii. Can receive grants from state/PECO. \$200-\$1000
 - iii. Really for anyone who could use that support
 - iv. Alison Pim will include in Friday newsletter
- o. Theme for Senior Center Fall Fling is volunteer
 - i. Wants to have Rotary member come and talk about what the Rotary does
 - ii. Carl Pinto?
- p. We won the Community Outreach Award
 - i. Will be recognized at Quarterly Financial Review meeting 3.21.18

10. Adjournment