

**Glendale Heights Center for Senior Citizens
Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting**

**April 28, 2021
Minutes**

PRESENT

Jennifer Alagna
Leona Breede
Lavonna Hawkins
Joan Kernan
Pat Maritato- Trustee
Patti Pauling
Mary Schroeder - Trustee
Joanne Soo
Joe Toma

Absent:

Joanne Soo

The meeting was called to order at 11:30.

The group spent the first hour of the meeting taking the mandated video and written sexual harassment course.

The business meeting began at 12:36pm.

The minutes of March 24, 2021 meeting were reviewed and accepted.

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics at the Hub

The vaccine clinics continue with the next dates scheduled on Saturday, April 24 and Friday, April 30, 2021 for aged 16 and over. Parental approval is necessary for those 16 and 17 years old. Appointments available through the link. Moderna will be given on April 24 for the Pakistani community. 86% of the DuPage County residents over 65 have been vaccinated to date.

Walk a Mile Class

Starting on May 1 there will be an 8:30am class added on Tuesday for those that want to begin to walk again using the same COVID related requirements as has been being followed. If the 8:30 and 9:00 classes fill up we will add another one (possibly at 10:30am) on Tuesday. Jennifer requested the walkers in the group to get some feedback from the walk-a-mile group as to their interest in having an afternoon exercise class.

Forever Fit Class

In addition to the Wednesday class at 10:00am, there will be an additional Forever Fit class on Monday at 10:00am starting May 3. On Saturday, May 1, Suzette will coordinate registration for those that are interested in the walk-a-mile or forever fit classes. Those that register will be in the classes through May with a lottery for the future classes.

Game Room Question

There was a question regarding the possibility of being able to begin using the pool table if the players wear masks. Patti explained that there is no way to disinfect the pool table which continues to be required by Illinois. Senior Center activities and events planned for the seniors must follow the Dept of Aging guidelines for COVID-19 which makes it more restrictive.

Marquardt School District Lunches

Lunches from the school district will continue for seniors through April 30. DSCC will start to provide them as of May 3, 2021.

Activity Guide

There will be an activity guide due to member's homes on May 1, 2021.

Community Room Rentals

We continue to get rental reservations for the community room with a 50 person maximum. Two parties were booked in April and 10 booked in May. Rental for the community room follows CDC guidelines not the Dept of Aging.

Salon coordinator – Sandy Moss

The new salon coordinator started on April 26, 2021 and is getting oriented. She has begun to have hair appointments and is doing well. Jennifer encouraged the group to go in to the salon and meet her. Her hours will be Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 4:00 appointments. She leaves at 5:00. The nail salon will be considered if the clientele will increase enough to defer the extra cost of products and her time to do nails.

Senior Center Activities

It was suggested to do a survey of interest in the activities at the center.

The group discussed breaking the members into sub-committees for the various activities and decided that there is no need for extra layers. If a member has an idea or information they should do the research and bring the complete information to the committee to discuss. Patti is in charge of group activities for the center. Communication is needed to get more interest and participation.

Patio Events

Jennifer will investigate whether we can have more people if doing the activities outside so that we can plan events on the patio. We would like to combine May and June into one event.

Volunteering and Tracking Hours

Patti needs volunteers for stuffing the May 22 food drive envelopes on Thursday, May 20 at 10:00am. Volunteering will be discussed further at the May meeting.

Committee Members

Patti reminded the group that we now need at least 2 new Committee members. The two trustees do not vote on issues and Patti as staff does not vote. Further discussion on this will be taken up at the May meeting.

Suggestions

Patti asked the group to consider doing another Christmas Memories book for the holidays this year. At the May meeting she will bring a copy of the last one for the group to see as many of us are not familiar with it.

Joanne suggested an event which can be held as a Lunch and Learn, A Walk Down Memory Lane. It can be done on the patio or indoor. She will bring all the information on it with the cost to the next meeting.

The next meeting will be May 26, 2021 at 12:30pm (tentatively). We will discuss preferred meeting time at the May meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Soo