

L.E. PHILLIPS SENIOR CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

Aug. 22, 2023

ABSENT: Deignan, Wirth

President Graaskamp called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

The July minutes were approved unanimously with Bates moving and Merro seconding

Treasurer Kinderman gave the financial report for both June and July, since there was no July meeting.

“June was a good month overall, and the good news carries over into July,” she said.

The fundraising Friends campaign, she continued, “is looking very good. When we put the ask out there, our friends deliver.”

Revenue from senior center trips is doing well, she added. “It’s very neat to see the popularity of those trips.”

Treasurer Kinderman added that the recently completed audit of senior center financials was positive.

President Graaskamp reported on lease agreement negotiations with the owner of Rock Steady Boxing. It is a three-year agreement with Rock Steady, which provides exercise services for members with Parkinson’s Disease.

The lease calls for the monthly fee to increase by \$100 a month each year in the second and third years, he said.

Board members indicated that the recent remodeling of the lower level has reduced the noise level for the Rock Steady participants and those using the adjoining pickleball courts. Royal Construction was in charge of the project.

“It’s beautiful down there,” said Executive Director Minor, praising Building Committee Chair Jim Bunkelman of Royal Construction for his efforts in leading the project.

The lease agreement was approved unanimously with Mell moving and Mero seconding.

Executive Director Minor said the July Water Street Mile race, sponsored by the senior center, was “much more successful” financially than last year’s run. “We are in a much better financial position.”

She credited board member Sandy Pocerlich with leading a successful sponsorship fundraising effort for the run. “She was the difference this year as far as raising funds,” Director Minor said, and the number of runners increased as well.

More than 40 vendors have signed up for the Senior Resource Fair to be held at the senior center on Sept. 19, she said, with clean-up day scheduled for Sept. 16.

Finally, Director Minor said that memberships continue to grow.

Building Committee Chair Bunkelman said the remodeling of the lower level is done for all practical purposes and, "I think it looks beautiful. It certainly is an improvement from what it was."

He also said significant progress was being made on the western addition to the parking lot where the houses were demolished, and a new boiler has been ordered so it can be installed before the heating season arrives.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m., with Mell moving and Merro seconding. The next meeting will be at 8 a.m. Sept. 26.

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