

Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (SCAC) Minutes

Wednesday, October 5, 2011

Present: Phyllis Budin, Bunny Fitzgerald, Karen Haseley (City Liaison), Henry Haslinger, Ginny Jones, Leonie Penney, Frank Pearlman, Silke Pope (Council Liaison), Betty Timer (Chair), **Absent:** Brenda Cooley, David West

Guest: Barry Moien

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Betty Timer. The agenda was approved with 3. Old Business, item b Betty Timer –Visit to City Council replacing the Middle School Task Force report. (moved by: Henry, seconded by Bunny). The minutes of the August 24, 2011 meeting were approved as distributed. (moved by: Frank, seconded by Henry).

OLD BUSINESS:

Open Forum: (held on Saturday September 24, 2011 at 1 pm in the Multi-purpose Room, Community Center):

Karen collated the notes from Bunny, the flipchart done at the meeting by Phyllis and her own notes to create a set of comments from the participants. The committee grouped the comments into two categories: **Safety** and **Trees & Walkway Maintenance**. Karen will create a report on the forum for our next meeting for the committee to review and use as the basis for our report to City Council.

Betty Timer's Visit to City Council: Betty Timer reported on the Not For Seniors Only forum (held on June 4, 2011) to the City Council on September 12, 2011. She presented under the Petitions section of the council agenda asking the City Council to provide information to the residents on Emergency Preparedness and gave them a written list of questions that were raised by participants at the Not For Seniors Only forum. After some discussion, the committee agreed to revisit this issue in six months.

FORA/ Widowed Persons update: The next FOR A meeting will be on Oct. 20, 2011.

The Fall 2011 support group session started on Tuesday Sept. 27th. There are 6 persons attending, 3 men and 3 women.

ELECTION NOMINATIONS:

Betty reminded the committee that Henry, as the current Chair Elect, will serve as Chair of the committee starting with the November meeting. After some discussion, Ginny Jones was proposed as Chair Elect and Betty Timer volunteered to be Secretary. The committee approved the slate and voted them into office for the coming year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Announcements:

Advisory Board Dinner for all city committee members will be held on Oct. 9, 5 – 8 pm. Octoberfest will be held on Oct. 7 starting at 1 pm. Both events will take place in the Community Center gym.

Bill Orleans informed the committee that WMATA plans to eliminate the R3 bus route that serves Greenbelt.

After some discussion the committee agreed to hold its next meeting – the official November meeting on **Nov. 2, 2011** at 7 pm.

The motion to adjourn was made by Phyllis and seconded by Frank.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ginny Jones