

MONTPELIER SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

2014 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – to be reviewed and approved at 2015 Annual Meeting

June 26, 2014
12:45PM

Meeting was called to order at 12:45 PM and members were welcomed.

Outgoing Advisory Board members were bid farewell: Elizabeth Dodge, Peter Harris, Frank Woods.

New Advisory Board members were welcomed : Whit Dall, Lisbeth (Liz) Dodd, Susan Torchia

Minutes from 2013 Annual Meeting were reviewed and approved.

Proposed Bylaw Amendments were discussed and voted as follows:

- In Article III, the word “Citizens” was deleted from the Center’s name.
- In Article VI.B., the number of Advisory Board members, proposed to increase from nine to ten, was voted to increase to eleven after discussion about the merits of increasing, even/odd numbers, etc. Term lengths were amended to reflect the new number. Language was added that MSAC shall endeavor to elect at least one member from a contributing town.
- In Article VI.G., A quorum for an Advisory Board Meeting is now six members (instead of five).

Advisory Board members, instructors, committee members, office volunteers, FEAST volunteers and others were thanked. Special thanks were given to Ed and Dona Koenemman for their longtime service, Liz Dodd for helping establish the Montpelier Memory Café, and Justin Turcotte and Just Basics Inc. staff and board for helping establish the FEAST nutrition program.

Two MSAC staff members who left recently were thanked: Johanna Nichols and James Sharp. Newer MSAC staff members were welcomed and thanked: Dan Groberg and Lise Markus. Jessie Baker, Assistant City Manager, was recognized for her support of MSAC.

Growing membership trends were reported, the FEAST partnership and participation were summarized, and facility improvements were discussed. Outreach strategies, partnerships with other organizations and supporting town policies were reviewed.

Janna summarized major goals looking ahead: Balancing demands on facility with offsite opportunities, meeting programming demands of MSAC’s growing and diverse membership, establishing van transportation for Friday lunches, helping to create a dementia-friendly community and to serve family caregivers. In addition, she emphasized MSAC’s commitment to keeping programming accessible and affordable to all while also engaging in successful fundraising and building up long-term endowment fund.

Dan Groberg looked ahead to programming in FY2015, including the continuation of many core classes, expansion in the movement class category, addition of classes scheduled for working members, start of new off-site classes (such as tech classes at the middle school coming in the Fall). Dan also gave a summary of recurring services, special events, and some statistics from the Spring class feedback surveys.

Dan Groberg summarized development/fundraising in FY2014 and looked ahead to FY15, including completion of the successful kitchen fund campaign, the 2013 Home Tour, 2013 Holiday Bazaar, 2014 May Rummage Sale, April-June Firebox Campaign, the June 2014 Vintage Fashion Show / Auction, the status of our major gift campaign and grant applications, sponsorship opportunities, and other ways to give to MSAC. City staff recently learned about a major estate gift to MSAC. A group of members is considering a "Friends of MSAC" organization, and staff are considering the current Endowment Fund and its future. Fundraising events will be quarterly in the coming year, people are always welcome to help, and training is available.

Tina Muncy made an invitation to members at large to join Advisory Board committees for Finance, Fundraising and Program and to join the Senior Center for the July 3rd Parade

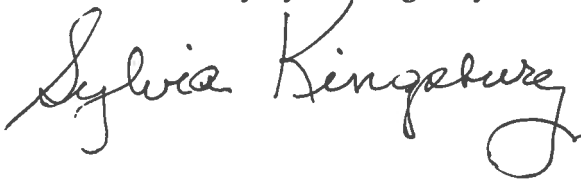
FEAST staff and volunteers were thanked for a wonderful lunch on this day and throughout the year.

Brief member feedback surveys were made available to fill out anonymously before and after meeting. Feedback was also collected verbally. Comments were read aloud.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:15 PM.

New Advisory Board meeting followed.

Minutes reviewed by Sylvia Kingsbury.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sylvia Kingsbury". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the text "Minutes reviewed by Sylvia Kingsbury."