

**Redwood Coast Senior Center
April Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, April 25th, 2018**

Board Members Present: Rick Banker, Zomala Abell, Michael Carroll, Paula McDonell

Staff Present: Charles Bush, Executive Director

Also Present: Stewart Kinner

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 1:30pm as planned so that all, including Stewart could be present.

Public Comments: Stewart will report on his projects as a volunteer at the Senior Center.

Approval of Agenda: Banker, 2nd Carroll

Approval of February Minutes: Banker, 2nd Carroll

Financial Investment Account Discussion:

Scheduled for May 30 in Mendocino at noon. It is agreed that the purpose of the meeting is to examine the goals and objectives of the portfolio.

The person handling the portfolio needs to give the Board a review of past transactions, and understand the goals of the Senior Center.

Report and Discussion re Computer Project:

The Board and Bush began the discussion by thanking Stewart for his work thus far. He is finishing wiring and installation in all offices. He reports that all access and usage of computers is now secure. The process of updating and improving computer usage, networking, and phone dependability is happening. Application for a grant is also in the works.

The Senior Center will be using internet for phones with landline for backup, with cell for backup for that. Connection with individuals and community for education, information, safety and emergencies will be as secure as possible. As of this meeting we are using MCN and Comcast, as is the Senior Center Radio Studio.

WiFi is being provided by MCN, and the Senior Center, via Stewart, is planning secure wireless access throughout the building. We discussed the excitement and educational possibilities for youth and elders as well as the citizens of town with these partnerships. We also discussed movie nights to provide more social occasions at the Senior Center. Training people to help others and providing training community-wide for all digital uses is one of the goals of providing this up-to-date technology.

Operations Report, the AAA Contract Audit:

Bush reported that the audit went fine. This is a Federal contract through the State Dept. of Aging. Health and Human Services for Lake and Mendocino Counties administers this contract. Every Senior Center, and there are 7,000 of them, responds to the findings of this audit. Our report was good.

Financial Report: Everything continues to be satisfactory.

Information Items and New Business:

The fund raising events were successful. St. Patrick's Day was the biggest fund raising dinner thus far. The Ukefest event was excellent. Both of these events were produced primarily without needing a large volunteer crew.

The Board reviewed copies of the business fund-raising letter and it looked great. We are starting off with 350 mailings until we get feedback. They are designed so the business has to get in touch with the Senior Center to make an exact transaction, cost or product.

Homelessness: the parking lot no longer has any "problem" overnight residents. There is a new manager at Hospitality House. This is known through anecdotal information to be already helping people who need help. The Homeless Continuum of Care should be able to help once communication is better established. The churches and the police are also positively involved. No crises at the moment, no more than every day, all the time.

Contracts are complete other than AAA and MTA. Planning for next year should go smoothly once those are checked off.

Building and Infrastructure.

We are planning to set aside 25K to fix broken things. Besides the kitchen floor, long on the list, we have broken window blinds, need to paint areas of the offices, some broken locks, front entry security, snack area, and dividing screens for large room efficiency. We will wait until after financial meeting to make final decisions about.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:30pm. Next meeting Wednesday, May 30 at 10:30am

Respectfully submitted, Zo Abell, Secretary