



Meeting Minutes

Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting
December 2, 2021

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by board chair, Glinda Townsley.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: John Barrant, Charmaine Donald, Aura Lopez, Martha Martinez, Carole Simmons, Glinda Townsley

Absent: Myrurgia (Maggie) Pichardo

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Leisure Services Director

Open Discussion

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2021 meeting was made by John Barrant and seconded by Martha Martinez. The motion carried without opposition.

Old Business

- Tunes & Trucks- Due to inclement weather, the November 5th concert was rescheduled for November 19th. The band was set and the food trucks were ready, but continuing bad weather resulted in a 7:15 p.m. cancellation of the November 19th concert.
- Thanksgiving Baskets- 200 baskets were given away. Pickup went smoothly. Sunrise resident names were referred by local churches, school social workers and social services agencies like Family Central and ADRC.

New Business

Cultural Festival 2021 Wrap-up - There was an estimated 2,000 people in attendance this year. People were more spread out in the larger newly renovated park. Board members were happy with the turnout and liked the layout. They enjoyed the latin band but felt that the reggae band was a little too mellow for the occasion and not a good fit for the festival. They commented that Piper High School's band was very good this year. Glinda Townsley suggested elevating the performers on stage as it was a little difficult seeing them.

Kevin Pickard shared that staff received positive feedback from the vendors. There was good crowd participation. He commented that there weren't any parking issues and traffic was manageable as people were coming and going throughout the event.

Upcoming Events

- Tree Lighting Ceremony- 12/3 at 6:00 p.m. at the Civic Center. With all of the construction on the campus, the decorations will be located closer to the marquee and the road in front of the Sr. Center will be closed for event use. Traffic at the Oakland Park Boulevard entrance will be redirected around the Library.
- Arts & Crafts Festival featuring Winter Wonderland- 12/11, 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. at the Sportsplex. Admission is free for the festival; Winter Wonderland is \$5.00 for kids 12 and under.
- Children's Holiday Party- 12/19 at 9:00 a.m. at the Doubletree Hotel.

Board Discussion

Martha Martinez asked how to access the Civic Center campus for the Tree Lighting ceremony. For easier access, it was recommended to enter from Josh Lee Boulevard, but half the road will be open at the Oakland Park Boulevard as well.

Carole Simmons asked if the schedule of theatre shows and flyers could be sent to the Sunrise Lakes Phases. Kevin Pickard replied that such information was previously sent to the building captains, but he will check into what the process is currently.

Charmaine Donald shared that she agreed that the reggae band at the Cultural Festival was a little too mellow for the occasion.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John Barrant and seconded by Aura Lopez. The motion passed without opposition.

Transcribed by: _____
Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary