



Meeting Minutes

Cultural Affairs Advisory Board Meeting

April 7, 2022

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by board chair, Charmaine Donald.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: John Barrant, Charmaine Donald, Gilbert Lenchus, Myrurgia (Maggie) Pichardo, Carole Simmons, Glinda Townsley

Absent: Martha Martinez

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Director of Leisure Services

Open Discussion

Ryan Vogel, Sunrise resident, attended the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 3, 2022 meeting was made by Gilbert Lenchus and seconded by Glinda Townsley. The motion carried without opposition.

Old Business

Past Events-

- Tunes & Trucks – The March 11th concert featured country and rock music performed by The Samantha Russell Band. Approximately 1,500 people attended the event.
- Lyrical Lounge - Due to Spring Break 2022, a smaller group than usual (six teens) attended the March 18th event.
- Lakeside Park Grand Opening – About 100 people attended the ceremony at the small passive park at Sunrise Lakes Phase I. Residents have responded favorably to the new addition to the area.
- Earth Day- Approximately 1,200 bags were given away at the event. Feedback was positive. Attendees enjoyed the interactions with the vendors responsible for stamping the passports.

Cultural Festival-

- Talent Show – Board members were asked for input regarding the talent show (number of categories, registration, performer guidelines, etc.). Talent show winners will perform at the Cultural Festival. Discussion followed. Kevin Pickard stated that he would bring all suggestions back to staff to finalize the parameters.
- Live Art – Board members unanimously agreed to move forward with the idea of artists creating large letters that spell out S_U_N_R_S_E during the festival. The letters, with a person filling in as the letter "I", will be used at future events.

New Business

Upcoming Theatre/Art Gallery Events – The board was given an overview of upcoming events including:

- Art Gallery Exhibit/Opening Reception - Works by Andrew Moschburg; Friday, April 8th at 6:00 p.m. Attendees can view the artist working live in the gallery during the event.

- A Series of Shorts Play Festival - Saturday, April 23rd at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 24th at 2:00 p.m. Reserved seating: \$18
- Disney's Descendants the Musical - Sunday, May 1st at 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Reserved seating: \$18

Upcoming Events/Programs – Kevin Pickard shared a list of upcoming events, including:

- Tunes & Trucks – The April 8th concert will feature the Motowners (Motown) at the Civic Center Amphitheater. Food trucks begin serving at 6:00 p.m. and the concert begins at 7:00 p.m.
- Royal Egg Hunt – Saturday, April 9th, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Sunrise Sportsplex. The egg hunts are held throughout the day and separated by age group.
- Spring Fling Dance for Adults with Special Needs - Friday, April 22nd, 7:00 p.m. at the Civic Center; Broward County event held in collaboration with Leisure Services Special Events.
- Family Resource Fair - Saturday, April 23rd, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at City Park. Providing free Health screenings and information about available resources in our community.
- Autism Swims - Saturday, April 23rd, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. at the Sunrise Civic Center. This event promotes swimming and water safety for boys and girls ages 5 to 18.

Board Discussion

Gilbert Lenchus asked about information regarding the American Legion. Kevin Pickard responded that we have an active organization here in Sunrise and he would forward the contact information.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Glinda Townsley and seconded by Maggie Pichardo. The motion passed without opposition.

Transcribed by: _____
Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary