



Meeting Minutes

Cultural Affairs Advisory Board

September 5, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Sunrise Civic Center Community Room

Call to Order

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

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Gilbert Lenchus, Aura Lopez, Jennifer Martinez-Bre, Myrurgia (Maggie) Pichardo, Carole Simmons, Maxine Simson, Glinda Townsley

City Liaison: Kevin Pickard, Director of Leisure Services

City Staff: Sean Todd, Recreation Supervisor, Cultural Arts; Vernon Neeley, Operations Supervisor, Programs

Open Discussion

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on August 1, 2024 was made by Gilbert Lenchus and seconded by Maxine Simson. The motion carried without opposition.

Old Business

Participation and attendance for previous programs and events were shared.

Past Special Events

- 8/16- 7-9:30pm- SAC Multipurpose Bldg.- Back to School Dance (Special Populations)- 26 participants
Aura Lopez attended and shared that the event ran smoothly and went very well. She commented that the school supplies given out were very mindful and useful.

Past Theatre Shows and Programs

- 8/23- 6-9pm- Lyrical Lounge- Workshop- 12 students /Open Mic Night- 10 performers
- 8/30- 6pm- Art Gallery Reception- Las Flores de Mi Vida- 95 attendees

Sunrise Superstars- The board was informed that the talent show is being rescheduled for October 10th because the original date falls on a religious holiday.

Cultural Festival- The board reviewed the line-up of entertainment and viewed performances of the bands that have been scheduled for the event. The members discussed their schedules to volunteer at the Advisory Board tent.

New Business

Art Gallery Exhibition- Juana Calvo, aka CHYKY LAFAURIE, whose works are being displayed in the Art Gallery at this time, spoke about her background and how her feelings led her to create her art. Ms. Calvo expressed her appreciation for the wonderful gallery reception.

Volunteer Opportunity- Boo Bash- The board members were asked if anyone is interested in judging the costume contest at the Boo Bash being held on Saturday, October 26. A reminder will be sent as we get closer to the date.

December Meeting- The board discussed moving the December board meeting to the Senior Center and changing the time to 5:00 p.m. so they can enjoy the City's annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony being held that same night. All members agreed and are looking forward to the ceremony.

Upcoming Special Events

- 9/11- 8:30am- 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony, Civic Center Theatre
- 9/14, 8:30-10:00am- Family Fishing Derby, Welleby Park
- 9/21, 10am-1pm- Fall Harvest Festival, Welleby Park- Free admission
- 9/28, 10am-12pm- Mayors' Chess Challenge- SAC Multipurpose Center
- SAVE THE DATE- 10/18- Tunes & Trucks- Oscar Wind Park- Hispanic Heritage Month

Upcoming Theatre Shows and Programs


- 9/20- 6-9pm- Lyrical Lounge- Workshop/Open Mic Night

Board Discussion

Adjournment

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

Transcribed by: _____


Karen Gallagher, Board Secretary