

Senior Advisory Board Minutes
March 25, 2015
10:30 a.m.
Rose Park Senior Activity Center

The Quarterly Meeting of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board was held at Rose Park Senior Activity Center. Board members in attendance were Joe Lopez, Leroy King, Sara Jane Vancil, Harriet Connor, Johnny Whisenhunt, James Francies, Cynthia Cooke, Sydnye Moore, and Maxine Williams. Staff members present were: Jeff White, Stanley Smith and Julie Sartor.

Call to Order: Leroy King called the meeting to order.

Guest Speaker: Michelle Parker with West Central Texas Council of Governments spoke to the board about the various programs that are offered. Ms. Parker handed out packets with information to all of the board members.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting held on November 5, 2014 were reviewed. A motion was made by Harriet Connor with a second by Sydnye Moore to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried.

Update TRAPS Conference: Jeff White updated the board on the Texas Recreation and Park Society conference that was held in Abilene on March 2-6, 2015. This is the annual state conference and even though the weather threw everyone a curve ball the division was quick to adapt. In the last fifteen years Abilene ranked third in highest number in attendance. The only other cities that had more in attendance were Corpus and the Woodlands. Mr. White reported that all staff did a remarkable job. Mr. White thanked board members Leroy King and Johnny Whisenhunt for braving the cold and attending the opening session to show their support for the conference. Sydnye Moore asked how we handled the sessions with the inclement weather. Mr. White said they modified all sessions and time due to the weather. Mr. White told the board that there were many sessions that were offered which included Leadership, Park Operations, and many more topics which brought in a lot of speakers from across the state and out of state.

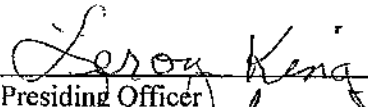
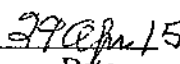
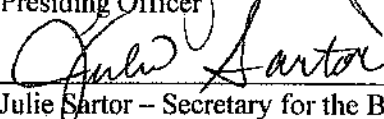
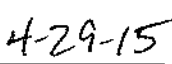
Family Holiday Festival: Mr. White presented the board with a breakdown of the annual Family Holiday Festival Fundraiser which was held at Rose Park Senior Center on December 12, 2014. Rose Park made over \$5,000 from the fundraiser and the center is looking at purchasing new dining room tables. We have a sample one in the dining room now and encouraged everyone to try it out. Last year we purchased new chairs from the fundraising funds received. Julie Sartor and Leroy King thanked the board for their donations to the festival. Ms. Sartor told the board with their generous individual donations and a donation from an anonymous source a Kindle Fire was purchased and was raffled during the festival. The center had three raffle items and the Kindle Fire sold the most tickets.

Participation: Mr. White gave the participation report for the quarter. Mr. White told the board until there is a number system in place that numbers will always fluctuate because participants do not always sign in.

Upcoming Events: Mr. White told the board of the upcoming events scheduled which include: Volunteer Appreciation Celebrations at all centers and the Wellness Jamboree on May 6.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes approved by:

 Presiding Officer	 Date
 Julie Sartor – Secretary for the Board	 Date