



Gladstone Senior Center Advisory Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, July 18, 2023, 3:30 pm-5:00 pm

City Hall Council Chambers, 18505 Portland Avenue

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CALL TO ORDER

- a. Roll call of advisory board
- b. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM June 20, 2023

BUSINESS FROM THE STAFF - Tiffany

- a. *Music on the Green* (a series of bands on the lawn in front of the center) – family-friendly; bring your own picnic – August and September 2023, organized by the Community Center - **FLYERS**

BUSINESS FROM THE BOARD – Mindy/Board

- a. Community Festival informational booth – Tiffany has signup sheet for coverage at the INFO BOOTH (Saturday 10a – 6pm)
- b. Board members please share your ideas for name of the Advisory Board – your assignment
- c. City Council + Senior Advisory Board in August to discuss Amending membership and duties of the Advisory Board to include diverse multigenerational/youth participation; this includes **Rename the Advisory Board**

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

- a. Gladstone Senior Foundation update

NEXT MEETING: August 15, 2023

ADJOURN

GLADSTONE SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES FOR JUNE 20, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Chair Mindy Proski at 3:31 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Chair Mindy Proski, Evelyn Johannesen, Sylvia Kelner, Roxanne McMullin, Josie Whitaker, Maria Mitchell, Simona Gherghisan

Senior Center Foundation: Bonnie and Jal Duncan

ABSENT:

None

STAFF:

Tiffany Kirkpatrick, Community Services Manager; Hayley Kratz, Office Assistant

Chair Proski called the meeting to order. She advised that the City of Gladstone is abiding by guidelines set forth in House Bill 2560, which requires the governing body of the public body, to the extent reasonably possible, to make all meetings accessible remotely through technological means and provide the opportunity for members of the general public to remotely submit oral and written testimony during meetings to the extent that in-person, oral, and written testimony is allowed. Therefore, this meeting will be open to the public both in person and virtually using the Zoom platform.

Chair Proski went over the agenda for the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Josie Whitaker made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2023 meeting. Motion was seconded by Roxanne McMullin. Ms. Kratz took a roll call vote, and the minutes were approved with a unanimous vote.

BUSINESS FROM STAFF:

a) Renaming of the Center:

Ms. Kirkpatrick acknowledged that the City Council approved the renaming of the Gladstone Senior Center to Gladstone Community Center – The Spirit of Generations. She said she was very emotional at the meeting because it felt very official and she felt all the hard work they went through, etc. She said this will have different meanings for different people, but she thinks it's a positive thing and she felt very proud of the advisory board, the Center, and Gladstone. Now they get to choose what other concepts they want to add to the Center over time. She said this is a feather in the cap of the advisory board members. The next steps are changing the signage, cards, etc. Those costs will be taken care of by City Hall. They will also be changing the signage on the van. She isn't sure they can make changes on the tram since it is borrowed, but she will look into that.

b) Update on Interior painting:

She put a big thank you to the Foundation in the July newsletter because they couldn't have had any painting done this year if it wasn't for them. She is very grateful to have their leadership and support. The new paint looks beautiful. The majority of people love it. She needs to schedule a walk-through with the painters to look for necessary touch-ups. They will also be painting two offices. They are working on putting things back in place now.

c) Update on Mural:

She didn't have an update yet.

d) Music on the Green:

This is an idea of a concert that happens on the lawn that is next to the Center. They have moved the dates to August and September. They have booked the bands. She has filled out the application, but the neighbors have to be notified about the concerts. Their goal is to have a fun community/family invitation to what the Center is. People can bring their own lawn chairs, beverages, etc. She has ideas for future events (include local wineries, etc.).

e) Review of Center Goals:

She condensed the items down to 1 through 4:

#1 – Community engagement to update the name of the Senior Center

Chair Proski said that this one can be checked off the list. She thanked everyone involved.

#2 – Amend membership and duties of the Advisory Board to include diverse multigenerational/youth participation

This also includes renaming the Advisory Board. She was told that that is not a given – so as a group they will need to decide what they would like the Advisory Board to be named. This will be discussed at the July meeting and presented at the City Council work session in August.

There was discussion regarding revising Chapters 2.70 and 2.10. This will be discussed at the next meeting as well.

#3 – Develop a master site plan for the Senior Center

Ms. Kirkpatrick said this would involve having someone come and design a master plan for the building. It would need funding. They will not be able to do anything like that this year unless something unforeseen comes up. This can be taken off the list.

#4 – Provide expanded multigenerational services, programs, and activities at the Community Center

Chair Proski said that all the changes will happen over time. She would like to hear any suggestions regarding any services/programs/activities that they think would fit well with what they are going for at the Center and they will discuss this at the next meeting. Ms. Kirkpatrick suggested talking to other centers that have gone from Senior Centers to Community Centers and get input. They could look into charging fees for classes, events, etc. to get revenue. There was discussion regarding the community schools program.

BUSINESS FROM THE BOARD:

a) Community Festival Informational Booth Ideas/Suggestions/Volunteers:

Chair Proski asked for ideas/suggestions. Ms. Kirkpatrick said they have a booth/table and a table for GEMS (Gladstone Emergency Management Support). They do not have a brochure – but she would like to have some prepared before the Community Festival. The Foundation might have some ideas for the table/booth as well. Chair Proski asked for volunteers to man the booth in 2-hour shifts. Ms. Kirkpatrick will make up a schedule so people can sign up.

The Community Festival is on August 4th and 5th (from noon – 8 P.M. on Friday and from 10:00 – 8:00 P.M. on Saturday). The multigenerational class reunion will happen on Friday night.

b) What tasks are we wanting to work on this summer, from the goals list?:

This was already discussed. The take one suggestion box that they wanted to have at the Center on the sidewalk needs to be pushed up the priority list. They want to push out information regarding their new name, etc. (this information will be included in the brochure, along with Q&A's). There was discussion regarding getting community input/suggestions. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

c) **What do we want to focus on for our July and August meetings?:**

For the July meeting they will talk about renaming the Advisory Board, next steps for the Council work session, amending membership/duties, Community Festival ideas.

For the August meeting they can start conversations about the multigenerational services/ideas/programs and introducing fees.

There was further discussion regarding the process of making changes to the ordinances.

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

None.

BUSINESS FROM THE SENIOR FOUNDATION:

They had a meeting last Friday and they are revising their bylaws (from 2017). They have decided that they are the Gladstone Seniors Foundation, and they won't be changing their name. The money they hold was donated for seniors, so that will continue to be their emphasis. They are glad they were able to fund the painting project. Now they need to raise funds again, but they haven't worked that out yet. They are going to increase their number from nine directors to eleven in hopes of bringing in someone who might not be a senior, who might have ideas about how they can enhance the lives of seniors. They are working on funding to help those people who have difficulty paying for the bus trips on Fridays *and* paying for lunch during the same trip. They have discussed being able to do someone's yardwork. They are putting the word out that they are looking for any way they can help an individual senior with a need they have (haircuts, dog grooming, etc.). Nancy Turner is now a member of their board. It would be nice to have someone on the Advisory Board be a representative for the Foundation.

The Foundation also helps the Food Pantry.

There was a discussion regarding a program through Clackamas Community College where retired people offer their services to seniors – the program is no longer in place. There is a group that started during the ice storms – Neighbors Helping Neighbors. This topic will be put in the newsletter – asking for people who offer services (handy person, etc.). There are local churches who have resources like this as well. Simona Gherghisan will look into that.

ADJOURN:

Roxanne McMullin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Josie Whitaker. Motion passed with a unanimous vote. Meeting was adjourned at 4:42 P.M.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

July 18th and August 15th - 3:30 P.M. in Council chambers

