

ANCHORAGE SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER
ANCHOR-AGE CENTER, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
July 13, 2016

1 Call to Order – Quorum:

2 Board Members Present: Kris Warren (President); Nancy Groszek (Vice-President); Mary
3 Shields; Maria James; Judy Brady; Lynn Paterna; Sid Atwood; Gordon Glaser

4 Board Members Excused: Theresa Hoffmann (Secretary); Rebecca Mahaney (Treasurer); Gary
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6 Recording Secretary: Eileen (Nicky) Nickoloff

7 Endowment Trust Representative: none present

8 Municipality Representative: David Levy

9 Staff Attendees: Rebecca (Becky) Parker (General Manager); Malorie Spreen (Program
10 Director); Stephanie Rose (Accounting)

11 Guests: Dr. Yvonne Chase, UAA Human Services Department

12 The meeting was called to order by Kris Warren, President, on 07/13/16 at 10:05 a.m. after it
13 was determined that a quorum was present and business could be conducted.

14 **Introductions:** A roll call was taken by the Recording Secretary.

15 **Guest Comments:**

16 **MOA:** David Levy reported that, at the end of June, Governor Walker signed an Operating
17 Budget that included the MOA program, including support for Medicare at the same level as last
18 year. He asked for a listing of what items are most needed by ASAC, since monies are limited.

19 There is a new contract between the Alaska Housing and Finance Commission (AHFC) and
20 services to Chugach Manor; an attempt will be made to increase contact with ASAC.

21 **Dr. Yvonne Chase** is having her students at UAA put together some possibilities for evaluation
22 of the ASAC program. They will then give the Board a presentation of different models that can
23 be used for such evaluations, as well as a look at public awareness of ASAC.

24 **Agenda:**

25 *Gordon Glaser moved and Nancy Groszek seconded approval of the agenda with one change,*
26 *adding the topic of “senior housing”. This was added and the agenda was approved*
27 *unanimously.*

28 **Minutes from Prior Meeting:**

29 *Mary Shields moved and Nancy Groszek seconded approval of the BOD minutes from*
30 *06/15/2016; minutes were approval unanimously.*

31 **COMMITTEE REPORTS: STANDING COMMITTEES**

32 **Endowment** – no representative was present, but Kris Warren reported that the balance of the
33 Endowment Fund was near \$4 million.

34 **Executive (Kris Warren)** – no report.

35 **Finance (Kris Warren for Rebecca Mahaney)** - finances for the month of May are still in the
36 black, although there were a number of one-time expenses. *Sid Atwood moved and Gordon*
37 *Glaser seconded approval of the May financial report; approval was unanimous.*

38 There may be competition for the Kid Corps hot meal program. There are revisions to the 2017
39 contract which eliminate meal delivery, and this will open the bidding to other providers. This is
40 a program in which ASAC has invested considerable funding over the past, including purchase
41 of a new delivery van.

42 **Membership Outreach (Judy Brady)** – this committee is reviewing membership statistics at
43 every meeting, and note a decrease in the number of members, to 1881 active members. The
44 committee is working on defining the role that membership dues plays in member decisions, and
45 is working with volunteer chairs for input. There will be a membership drive in September. The
46 committee is considering the use of humor, as well as pictures of members being active, in their
47 program.

48 **Operations (Nancy Groszek)** – for the discussion of updating the Mission Statement in the
49 Bylaws, please see “Old Business” in these minutes.

50 **Facilities and Equipment (Sid Atwood)** – the Committee voted to replace the computer server
51 through PC Net, and the process will begin once there is a grant received to cover costs.

52 The Center is due for a fire drill, and plans for this will be made.

53 **Ad Hoc Committees:**

54 **Parking Lot Improvements:** bids for upgrades to the West Parking Lot are due on July 20.
55 Once a contractor is selected, purchasing for the project can begin.

56 **Self Assessment (Lynn Paterna)** – no report.

57 **GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT:**

58 A full General Manager’s report prepared by Rebecca (Becky) Parker was handed out at the
59 Board Meeting.

60 Becky Parker and Malorie Spreen from ASAC met with Diane Kaplan from the Rasmuson
61 Foundation and Carol Gore, Executive Director of Cook Inlet Housing, to explore ideas for
62 senior housing or other possible uses of land surrounding the Senior Center. The sum of \$5-10K
63 was allocated to investigate whether building housing would be practical on this land, but there is
64 much to be determined. The MOA will arrange a meeting with the Anchorage Mayor, since the
65 Center is on municipal land, and approval would be needed before any funding challenges could
66 be considered.

67 The Gift Shop Manager position was eliminated due to budgetary reasons. Scheduling for the
68 gift shop will be absorbed by existing employees.

69 **OLD BUSINESS:**

70 **Mission Statement:** there was considerable discussion about the Mission Statement, which
71 currently reads: *The mission of the Anchorage Senior Center Activity Center is to enhance the*
72 *quality of life of older Alaskans by promoting fitness, health and wellness and social*
73 *interaction.”* The question was whether “older Alaskans” is too vague or too restrictive. **A**
74 ***motion to keep “older Alaskans” was made by Mary Shields and seconded by Gordon Glaser,***
75 **but during the discussion, a suggestion to use “50+” instead of “older” was made. The issue**
76 **could not be resolved, and *an approved motion by Mary Shields, seconded by Sid Atwood, was***
77 ***made to table this issue until the next BOD meeting.***

78 **NEW BUSINESS:**

79 **Advisory Commission Vacancy:** *Gordon Glaser moved and Sid Atwood seconded appointing*
80 *Claude Watson, a former Board member, to this vacancy. This motion was approved*
81 *unanimously.*

82 **Election of Board Officers:** Nancy Groszek (Vice-President) and Theresa Hoffmann
83 (Secretary) will be stepping down from their positions. The following nominations for officers
84 were made and approved by the Board by acclamation:

85 President: Nancy Groszek nominated **Kris Warren**

86 Vice-President: Nancy Groszek nominated **Judy Brady**

87 Secretary: Maria James nominated **Mary Shields**

88 Treasurer: Mary Shields nominated **Rebecca Mahaney**

89 **Gordon Glaser** will remain as Past-President, ex-officio.

90 **DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS:**

91 **Gordon Glaser:** reminded Board of need to continue working on upkeep of the Center, as well
92 as seeking additional funding sources.

93 **Maria James:** expressed concern over a recent fitness equipment purchase being geared more to
94 younger members than most of the fitness community. She also considers the Fitness Manager
95 to be too optimistic and aggressive in his expectations for our members. It was pointed out,
96 however, that the usual practice of the Fitness Committee is to pre-approve all purchases.

97 **Nancy Groszek:** concerned over lack of hooks for purses in ladies restrooms, as well as poor
98 lighting over the puzzle in the library.

99 **Becky Parker:** putting together a raffle in the fall and needs Board members to solicit gifts. Also
100 expressed need to improve visual effect of gift shop.

101 **ADJOURNMENT:**

102 **At 12:15pm. it was moved by Nancy Groszek, seconded by Maria James, that the meeting be**
103 **adjourned. Upon vote taken, the motion was passed unanimously.**

104 Minutes Submitted by:

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106 Theresa Hoffmann, Secretary
107 (Per Recording Secretary)
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111 **Proposed Board Meeting Dates for 2016*:**

112 08/10 09/08 10/13 11/11 12/08
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114 *Dates are subject to change due to holidays or other unexpected occurrences.