

Minutes: Thursday, August 13, 2020

Monterey Community Center Committee

Due to Covid-19, the Monterey Community Center is closed. This meeting was held by conference call and under the tent at the Community Center.

Meeting commenced: 10:05am

Present: Laurie Shaw, Kyle Pierce, Mary Makuc, Wendy Jensen, Elaine Lynch, Dennis Lynch, Roz Halberstadter, JoAnn Bell and Wendy Germain (by phone)

Next Meeting Date: **Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 10am under the Community Center Tent and by phone**

-Minutes were approved for July 9th, 2020 meeting. Wendy Jensen will send to Melissa at Town Hall to be posted.

Review of Current Programs

-AlAnon has about 6-9 people with some via phone meeting under the tent. There was discussion about reducing the fee for them since they are outside under the tent. Mary reports they are currently paying \$120/quarter which comes out to \$10/week. A vote was taken and it was decided to reduce their fee to \$90. AlAnon has a new name: FGA, Family Group AlAnon.

-Tuesday's chair yoga with Connie Wilson is still happening under the tent as well as 8 people on Zoom. There was some confusion last week because of technical difficulties getting online so Connie moved to the library.

-Kit's drumming workshop will continue on August 25th, there was about 14 people at the first meeting.

-Tai Chi: There was excellent attendance and lots of enthusiasm for this to continue. There will be 3 sessions for now. Kyle will talk to David about applying for a Cultural Council Grant. Mary suggested talking to FWMH to fund the next 3 sessions. It was also suggested to ask Parks and Rec for funds.

-Wendy G. mentioned that the Cultural Council grant applications will be available soon and the deadline is Oct. 15th if there are any programs that might like to apply.

-Ping Pong: 3-4 people usually but no one last Saturday as it was too hot under the tent.

-Balance Review: There are 8 people attending via phone. This is for previous attendees only. New folks will need to go through the "Matter of Balance" eight week session if they wish to join.

-The jewelry class went well with 6 people attending. Jilly wants to do more with maybe a Ukulele class. Mary will ask her about another workshop for next month.

Upcoming Programs

-The Cultural Council will be sponsoring a program for children called Playful Engineering. It will happen at the library but would like to use us to help with publicity.

-Tim VanEgmond will be having a program but no details yet.

-Pickle Ball-there is no information yet, JoAnn Bell will get more info. The game needs to be played on a hard surface, possibly in a gym. There is an initial equipment cost of about \$1100-1200. Maybe this should go to Parks and Rec.

-The John Root program on pollinators will happen via Zoom tonight at 7pm.

-Still hoping that Kevin West may be able to have a program this fall.

-Sue Guppy Farnum is still interested in a Tea Talk under the tent.

- Dennis talked about Stephen Moore's potential new newspaper space for young writers to submit their work to the Monterey News. Dennis wondered about having a supporting writer's group. Elaine might be interested in leading the group. Dennis will check for more details with the newspaper board.
- It was decided to hold off on planning any outdoor concert for now.
- It was suggested that we keep the tent through October. Laurie will check with Melissa about that.
- Mary suggested that Elisabeth Mashmeyer is interested in doing a workshop on preserving produce.
- Laurie will talk to Steve Pullen about a "Putting the Garden to Bed" panel.
- Mary is wondering about a possible one-day event such as a "Farmer's Market".

Other Business:

- Parking Lot Lighting: Mary is waiting to hear back from lighting specialist, Nancy Tamosovich for more information. Laurie and Mary will discuss this.
- Mary wants to have a discussion about diversity and will talk first with Gwendolyn VanSant from the Multi Cultural Bridge.

Meeting adjourned: 11:45 am

Respectfully submitted by: Wendy Jensen