AURORA COMMISSION FOR SENIORS (ACS)

Monday, January 06, 2020
1:00 p.m.
Aurora Center for Active Adults
30 Del Mar Cirde, Aurora, CO 80011

MINUTES

ACS MEMBERS PRESENT: Juanita Audre, Chair; Jeannie Davis, Vice-Chair; Barbara Schneller, Leo Gross, Gloria Shea, and Sandy Thomas

ACS MEMBERS ABSENT: Ivy Hontz

OTHERS PRESENT: Ronald Roulhac, Recreation Supervisor; Deborah Burcham, Recreation Specialist, and Dawn Booth, Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: By Aurora Commission for Seniors Chair, Juanita Audre, at 1:03 p.m.

ADOPTION OF ACS MINUTES: The Minutes from December 2, 2019 were approved with a motion by Jeannie Davis and a second by Cassandra Thomas

LIAISON REPORTS

Aurora Center for Active Adults: Ronald Roulhac, Aurora Center for Active Adults (ACAA) Supervisor
- Ronald Roulhac reminds the commissioners that the interviews for the two available positions on the Aurora Commission for Seniors board will be conducted during today’s meeting. Interview etiquette is covered and the newly revised questions are distributed.
- The Day Tripper Social will take place at the Aurora Center for Active Adults on Friday, January 10th from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m. All commissioners are invited to attend. Juanita Audre would like for the ACS to staff a table at the event and plans to be set up in room # 111 by 8:00 a.m.
- The Senior Forum planning meeting will be held at the ACAA on Tuesday, January 14th at 9:00 a.m. Jeannie Davis and Barbara Schneller have volunteered to attend the meeting and represent the ACS. All commissioners are invited to attend.
• The ACA will host a Town Hall meeting on Thursday, January 16th at 6:00 p.m. All commissioners are invited to attend.
• The Welcome Coffee will be held at the ACA on Friday January 24th from 9:30 until 11:00 a.m. All commissioners are invited to attend. Juanita Audre volunteers to provide an ACS information table and Gloria Shea volunteers to staff it.

**Legislative Committee:** Sandy Thomas
• Sandy Thomas informs the commissioners about an upcoming meeting at the capitol featuring information on advocating for the senior population. It will be held on Monday, January 27th from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. All commissioners are invited.
• The Colorado Senior Lobby will begin their session next week, they meet on Mondays and everyone is invited to attend. Sandy distributes a document with the Colorado Senior Lobby meeting dates.
• Sandy asks the board and Ronald Roulhac if the Aurora Commission for Seniors can support “particular bills.” Ronald answers “no” but the commissioners can ask their representatives to support the bill. A good way to get support for a bill is to attend ward meetings and present the information about the bill to the attendees. Ask if the attendees have heard about the bill and what they think. Determine if there is support for the bill, if so present the information to a council representative and see if they might be willing to take-action in supporting the bill, on behalf of the Aurora Commission for Seniors and the citizens of Aurora.

**Arapahoe County Council on Aging (ACCoA):** Barbara Schneller
• The next ACCoA meeting will be held at Malley Recreation Center on Monday, January 24th at 12:00 p.m.

**Senior Circle:** Jeannie Davis
• No report.

**Transportation Solutions:** No Representative
• No report.

**Public Relations:** Juanita Audre
• No report.

**INTERVIEWS:**
• Christina Hollister
o Christina Hollister, who lives in Ward 3, is introduced and interviewed by the ACS commissioners.
o Christina has a strong desire to learn more about the senior community in Aurora. She would like to focus on the resources that are provided for seniors and wants to address the many issues that prevent seniors from using those resources.
o Christina’s strengths include the ability to learn quickly and teach others. She is highly motivated to learn and teach due to a personal interest in her mother’s well-being and lack of involvement in the community.
o Another strength of Christina’s is her familiarity with the “end of life cycle” and the many issues that are experienced by the elderly and the senior-caregiving community.
o Christina will be able to attend meetings that are held at night and on weekends. She will work diligently with her employer to arrange time during the work-day to attend the monthly 1:00 p.m. ACS meetings.

- **Kathy Newton**

  o Kathy Newton, who lives in Ward 6, is introduced and interviewed by the ACS commissioners.
  o Kathy is looking for meaningful opportunities to serve in the community and has always wanted to assist seniors with their finances and/or technical issues.
  o Kathy has strong leadership abilities and has worked in many leadership roles throughout her professional career. She is experienced with directing individuals and groups towards successful outcomes.
  o Kathy would like to use her well-developed skill set to be a voice for the senior community.
  o Kathy is available to attend day and evening meetings, she is willing to attend board and ward meetings, and she would like to serve on various committees.

- Following the two interviews, the ACS commissioners discuss each candidate’s interview information. The commissioners then vote individually on their recommendation to be sent to city council.
• Ronald Roulhac collects the commissioners votes and informs them that their information and recommendations will be combined together and entered into a single document for the city council for review. Once the combined document has been created, Ronald will send a copy to each commissioner for approval. After the commissioner’s approval, the document will move towards city council. Two signatures will be required along the way. The recommendation process will take a minimum of two months.

OLD BUSINESS
• The commissioners discuss the mission and goals of the Aurora Commission for Seniors.
• The commissioners decided that implementation guidelines need to be put into place. Action-steps need to be written down for each goal. Additionally, unaccomplished action steps need to be presented and addressed monthly until they are completed.
• A separate meeting will be needed to determine action steps for each of the goals that the ACS has previously identified.

NEW BUSINESS:
• No new business.

NEXT MEETING
Date:  Monday, February 3, 2020
Time:  1:00 p.m.
Location:  Aurora Center for Active Adults, 30 Del Mar Circle, Aurora Co. 80011

ADJOURNMENT
Sandy Thomas makes a motion to adjourn the meeting and Barbara Schneller seconds it. The motion passes at 3:20 p.m.
Juanita Audre, Chair
Aurora Commission for Seniors

Date 4/10/20

Dawn Booth, Recording Secretary
Aurora Commission for Seniors

Date 2/10/20

ADOPTED February 10, 2020