



FAMILY & HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
GUS VELASCO NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER (GVNC)

Wednesday, March 18, 2015

5:45 p.m.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Ted Radoumis called the meeting to order at 5:48 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Margaret Bustos, David Diaz-Infante, Gloria Duran, Lydia Gonzales, Arcelia Miranda, Ted Radoumis, Dolores Romero, Dr. Linda Vallejo, Hilda Zamora, Manuel Zevallos,

Members Absent: Debbie Belmontes

Members Excused: Annette Rodriguez and Martha Villanueva

Council Liaison: Mayor Laurie Rios

Staff: Maricela Balderas, Director of the Department of Community Services (Excused)
Ed Ramirez, Executive Secretary
Maritza Sosa-Nieves, Management Assistant
Manuel Cantu, Program Coordinator
Judi Manalisay, Children's Services Administrator
Erika Valle, Office Aide

Guest: Ed Duran

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Dolores Romero and seconded by Manuel Zevallos to approve the Minutes of February 18, 2015. The motion was carried unanimously.

4. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

Mayor Laurie Rios reported on the new Police Services residential patrol program in efforts to reduce crime. The unemployment rate in December was at 6.2% and currently is at 9.6%. Also, the I-5 Freeway construction by Florence Avenue and Orr & Day Road intersection is expected to be completed by 2017.

Mayor Laurie Rios announced the availability and deadlines for the Senior High School Scholarships:

- Destiny & Polygram Scholarship - March 20, 2015. Available at the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce office.
- Youth Citizenship Award - March 26, 2015
- Memorial Scholarships Program - March 31, 2015. Questions may be directed to Wayne Bergeron, Management Assistant, at City Hall.

In addition, Mayor Rios informed members of the following events:

- Easter Egg Hunt - April 4, 2015, 10:00 a.m.- Los Nietos Park
- Sister City Young Ambassador's Pancake Breakfast- April 4, 2015 8:00 a.m. To purchase tickets contact Ted Radoumis.
- Congress Women Linda T. Sanchez staff will be available at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center on the following days to assist with social security, immigration, claims, health care, VA benefits, and housing.
April 7, 2015, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.; May 5, 2015, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; and June 2, 2015 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- First Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast - April 16, 2015, 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Tickets are available with the local churches and the cost is \$10.00 per ticket. The prayer will be held at Town Center Hall.
- SFS Art Fest - May 8, 2015, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Anyone wishing to become a sponsor, contact Ed Ramirez.

5. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

Ed Ramirez reported on the following:

- Community Services Department Activities and Events** - Ed Ramirez presented the idea of putting together a master calendar for the Community Services Department. Ed will keep members apprised.
- Volunteer Recognition Reception – April 17, 2015 5:30 p.m-7:30 p.m.** This invitation is open to all active volunteers of the City. All members of the advisory committee will receive an invitation by mail.
- Children's Clothing Drive** - Ed informed members of the clothing drive that took place on March 9 -13, 2015. The clothes that was collected from local school districts and community will be distributed to local families in need. Families will be invited to *The Children's Boutique* at GVNC on March 26, 2015 10 a.m.-3 p.m. to receive cloths for toddlers and teens.
- Older American Recognition Award-** Applications have been received and are under the nomination process, no more application will be accepted.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ed Ramirez reported on the following:

- Whole Child Family Housing Proposal** - Ed reported on the lease agreement with Whole Child, the proposed lease agreement and agenda

report will be presented to the City Council on March 26 for their consideration. The move in date is expected to be April 1, 2015.

- b. **Special Olympics** - Eight participants from three school districts are ready to begin the processing for the event. Four coaches are signed up and volunteer training is to be scheduled soon.
- c. **Family Fun Run/Walk Update** - Saturday, June 6, 2015 at Lake Center Athletic Park at 7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. This event is free to the community; however, registration is required on-line at www.sfsfunrun.eventbrite.com. Forty agencies and vendors are expected to participate. Also, a rock wall will be available for the youth to enjoy.
- d. **Art Fest 2015 Update** - Up to 150 artist will be recruited for the Art Fest and new entertainment has been hired. Food will be available to participants; however, only one free food item and two free drinks will be served, anything after that will need to be purchased.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. FAMILY AND HUMAN SERVICES SECTION

Ed Ramirez reported on the following:

- 1) **Case Management Marketing Flyers** - Staff is currently working on new flyers to promote case management services to the community.
- 2) **T.E.E.N.S. Program Volunteer Recruitment Day - March 13, 2015 SFS High School** – Manuel Cantu Reported that 75 students signed up for the T.E.E.N.S. program and for past three years a total of 341 students have signed up to be part of the program. Manuel also announced the upcoming event, Resume Night on Wednesday, March 25, 2015. In this workshop students were guided to complete a resume. A video will be presented in the next meeting to showcase the events that T.E.E.N.S. have been involved in.

b. CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT SECTION

- 1) **Child Care Update** – Judi Manalisay reported on the contract monitoring review from the State on February 23-27, 2015. They reviewed parent's involvement, enrollment, curriculum, staff credentials, proper documentation and business structure. The next review will take place in three years. Judi also announced the following events:

- Book Fair - currently taking place at all sites
- Creativity in Play - April 6-10, 2015 *Week Of The Young Child*
- Family Night - April 9, 2015 5 p.m.-7 p.m. at Los Nietos Park

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Cesar Chavez Holiday- Closed March 31, 2015
- Orange County Food Distribution- April 15, 2015
- Healthy Tip- Eat Right Smart Snacking for Adults and Teens

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Master Calendar of Events
- Guest Speakers

10. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Sister City Committee Pancake Breakfast- April 4, 2015 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. tickets are available for \$4.00 at the day of the event tickets will be \$4.50. The funds collected will help the youth with their trip to Europe.
- Santa Fe High School Band Goodwill Drive - April 11, 2015 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Pick up is also available.
- Lee Foundation Golf Tournament was a success, scholarships and grants will be available to teachers. On April 15, 2015 a committee will decide if Lakeside or Lake Center is eligible to be recognized as a distinguished school. On June 23, 2015 the school district will have the opportunity to go to Washington D.C and receive a National Award.

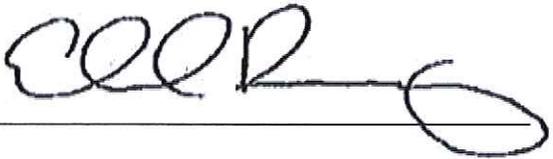
11. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Radoumis adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

The next meeting of the Family and Human Services Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday, April 15, 2015, at 5:45 p.m. at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center, Meeting Room No. 1, located at 9255 Pioneer Boulevard, Santa Fe Springs, CA.



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Ed Ramirez, Executive Secretary