

**CITY OF MILPITAS  
SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**Approved Minutes:** Senior Advisory Commission  
**Date of Special Meeting:** November 16, 2010  
**Place of Meeting:** Barbara Lee Senior Center, Room 140

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Denny Weisgerber called the meeting to order at 1:34 pm.

**Members Present:** Chairperson Denny Weisgerber, Barbara Ebright, Amanda Santos, Bernice Wrinkle, Bal Daquigan, Karen Adams

**Members Absent:** Mary Banick, Florentino Menor

**Staff Present:** Renee Lorentzen, Acting Recreation Supervisor  
Lynette Wilson, Recreation Program Coordinator

Acting Supervisor Renee Lorentzen distributed a letter she received for the Commission from Mr. Robert Marini regarding the operation hours of the Senior Center and the minimal use of the fitness equipment. Chairperson Weisgerber stated he would forward it to City Council for further action.

**II. Annual Work Plan Discussion**

Chair Weisgerber reviewed the Commission's 2010 Work Plan (goals of promoting and sustaining volunteerism within the Commission and in Milpitas seniors; Fundraising; Budget; and Senior Center Grand Opening) and stated all the items on it would still be continued with the exception of the Senior Center Grand Opening. Chair Weisgerber also stressed that all commission members need to sign up for the projects and fundraiser events so not just a few commissioners are doing it all. The funds raised will not be counted as a Senior Advisory Commission fundraiser if commissioners are not signed up for a fundraising date (i.e. Bingo snackbar).

Acting Supervisor Renee Lorentzen added that this meeting is to address items regarding senior issues in the community and not Senior Center programs.

Commissioner Barbara Ebright stated a goal she would like the following in 2011:

- Health Fair (including glucose testing, exams for feet and moles, a dietician, etc.)
- Lunch Program volunteers
- Case Manager Receptionist
- Legal group to assist with living trusts for no fee
- Tax Preparations with certified accountants
- Computer classes
- Language translators (for presentations and services)

Commissioner Amanda Santos stated a goal she would like the following in 2011:

- Suggestion Box for seniors to put questions / concerns along with their contact info so staff and/or commissioners could respond to them

- Hold yearly “Best Care Home” contest (senior housing) and ask for developers/Housing Authority for funds to award
- A section of the Senior Center’s Senior Connection newsletter to post senior experiences (best moment in life, embarrassing moments in life, etc.)
- Suggestion boxes for concerns at senior housing locations

Commissioner Bernice Wrinkle stated a goal she would like the following in 2011:

- Assistance for low-income seniors (ie. Nutrition and resources)

Commissioner Bal Daquigan suggested “behind the wheel” driving instruction refresher courses.

Commissioner Karen Adams included her items of:

- Agenda Board at the Senior Center to a daily schedule of meetings and classes
- A Summer Scorcher Shelter (a place to take pets during extremely hot days)
- Emergency Preparation / Safety Classes

Chairperson Weisgerber added that transportation issues should be worked on (Outreach/Busses/Public Transportation)

After all the commissioners giving their input on possible issues, the Commission decided the following items would be worked on in 2011:

- Health Fair
- Suggestion box at the Senior Center
- Best Care Home / Senior Housing Contest
- Nutrition Resources for Seniors
- Behind the Wheel refresher course
- Summer Scorcher resource
- Emergency Prep/Safety classes
- Transportation

### **III. ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 2:31 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2011, at 1:30 pm, at the Barbara Lee Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynette Wilson, Commission Secretary