



City of Farmers Branch

Minutes

Senior Advisory Board

The Branch Connection
14055 Dennis Lane
Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Thursday, April 11, 2024

1:00 p.m.

Community Recreation Center –
Pecan Room

Meeting was held at 1:00 p.m. at the Farmers Branch Recreation Center.

PRESIDING: Deborah Hull, Chair

PRESENT: Matt Rice, Vice Chair
Joyce Benoit
Sharon Luckes
Debra Krusehart
Tammy Cordes

ABSENT: Wayne Weirich
Mary Creason

STAFF: Jessica Alvarado, Recreation Superintendent
Jackie Byles, The Branch Connection Manager
Liz Aarts, Health Manager
Jennifer Stone, Recreation Assistant Manager
Scott Kelly, Recreation Intern

A. CALL TO ORDER

Deborah Hull, Chair called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM on Thursday, April 11, 2024.

B. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

C. AGENDA ITEMS

C.1 Consider approval of Minutes for the March 14, 2024 meeting; and take appropriate action.

Under item C.2, in the last paragraph, change the verbiage from senior breakfast to The Branch Connection breakfast.

Sharon Luckes made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections as listed. Debra Krusehart seconded the motion. The motion carried.

C.2 Discuss food-related programs.

Jackie Byles introduced Liz Aarts, a City of Farmers Branch health manager. Liz Aarts spoke with the Senior Advisory Board regarding food guidelines and the expectations for any food-related programs.

C.3 Review events and activities.

Jackie Byles discussed making separate agenda items for any big events or programs that must be addressed in more detail. Jennifer Stone talked about volunteers for Fishin Fun and the sponsorship information for Game Night. Jackie also discussed the activities offered for the month of April and emphasized that chair volleyball is adding an additional net for members to play on. He also mentioned that programs would be relocated to the First Baptist in Farmers Branch in May.

C.4 Receive an update from all appointed sub-committees.

Jackie Byles gave an update on the renovation of The Branch Connection building. As discussed in the May meeting, the furniture options for The Branch Connection post-renovation would be reviewed. The memorial sub-committee is looking into a member who recently passed away to find some information on that member to have his name engraved on the memorial board.

C.5 Discuss agenda items for future Senior Advisory Board meetings.

Jackie Byles noted that the quarterly report and game night will be added to the May agenda.

C.6 Receive the Senior Advisory Board and City Council update calendar.

Jackie Byles gave an update on the upcoming City Council meetings.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Matt Rice made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Debra Krusehart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

Deborah Hull, Chair

Jackie Byles, The Branch
Connection Manager