

# SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of November 5, 2012 meeting  
Coral Gables Youth Center

MEMBERS	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	APPOINTED BY
Nadejda Mishkovsky	R	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P	P	P	Mayor Jim Cason
Carol Brock	R	P	P	E	P	P	R	R	P	P	P	Vice Mayor William H. Kerdyk, Jr.
Maria Cruz	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	A	Comm. Maria Anderson
Katie Kreter	R	B	B	P	P	E	R	R	P	P	A	Comm. Rafael "Ralph" Cabrera, Jr.
Ying Pestien	B	B	B	B	B	P	R	R	P	E	P	Comm. Frank C. Quesada
Evelyn Budde	R	P	A	P	P	P	R	R	E	P	P	City Manager Patrick G. Salerno
Clara Moreno	R	P	P	P	P	E	R	R	P	P	P	Senior Citizens Advisory Board

A = Absent

B = Not on Board at Time of Meeting

C = Resigned

E = Excused absence

P = Present

N = No quorum

R = Recessed

S = Sick

V= Vacant Position

## STAFF:

Jessica Keller  
Community Services Director

Fred Couceyro  
Parks & Recreation Director

Letty Ellis,  
Senior Programs & Coral Gables resident

Tricia Spencer  
Recording Secretary

## GUESTS:

Marlin Ebbert,  
Coral Gables resident

1. Chairperson Carol Brock called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m.
2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes: October 1, 2012** – A motion was made by Evelyn Budde to approve the minutes of October 1, 2012. Motion was passed unanimously by the Board.
3. **Approval of Excused Absences** – No approval of absences was made.

4. **Senior Services Divisional Report**

a. **Report on Senior Services – Fred Couceyro**

Fred Couceyro and Letty Ellis continue to work on revising senior programming which is being temporarily accommodated at the Coral Gables War Memorial Youth Center. Fred has received a lot of positive feedback from participants that participate in classes at the Youth Center.

b. **Senior Center Programs – Letty Ellis**

Letty Ellis thanked Tricia Spencer for helping her with some of the senior programs at the Youth Center while she was preparing for the Senior Art Show at the Coral Gables Museum. The Senior Art Show went very well; there were 30 artists and 48 pieces of art work. Letty thanked the volunteers and staff for helping her with the Art Show. She also thanked The Palace, Inc. for its continued sponsorship of the event. The winners of the Art Show will be acknowledged in the upcoming issue of “The Golden Gables”. The Self-Defense workshop went well; there were 18 people in attendance. On December 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. will be our 5<sup>th</sup> annual Senior Holiday party; the event will be held at the Coral Gables War Memorial Youth Center in the Theater. Dorothy Cheng, Positive Living Award nominee and Chinese Brush Painting instructor passed away over the weekend; she will be greatly missed. There was a brief discussion about the Spring Annual Luncheon; the Board and staff are open to suggestions for the guest speaker.

5. **New Business**

a. Board Appointee

Commissioner Maria Anderson appointed Maria Cruz to the Senior Citizens Advisory Board.

5. **Old Business**

a. Annual Report Draft

Carol Brock presented to the Board and staff, a revised draft of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board Annual Report which included the number of senior classes we provide per month, the number of participants for the year and the number of volunteer hours annually. Chairperson Carol Brock will deliver the Annual Report to the City Manager.

**A motion was made by Clara Moreno to approve the Senior Citizens Advisory Board Annual Report. Motion was passed unanimously by the Board.**

6. **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

The next Senior Citizens Advisory Board meeting will be held on **Monday, December 3, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.** and will be held at the **Coral Gables War Memorial Youth Center** located at **405 University Drive, Coral Gables.**

7. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.