SWNA Board and Osage Meeting

1/20/14

6:30pm

* The website is seeing a lot of traffic which is generating phone calls
* June Schneider, KETCH Director of Employment and Day Services
  + Works to find their clients employment in the community
  + Works with the senior day program called Encore
  + Works with the Adult Life Skills program which will be at Osage
    - The program will run from 8am until 4 or 4:30pm, Monday through Friday; offering basic needs and outings
    - Target date to move into Osage: 2/14 - 2/16
    - Start offering services on 2/17
  + Works with the Adult Life Skills II program which is located off Hydraulic
  + SWNA provides required community service hours KETCH needs to stay in the building and fulfill their lease with the City (who owns the property)
  + The blue room will remain locked and only for KETCH's use, along with the 2 offices at the front of the building, the 2 new restrooms, and the changing room
  + Bathrooms outside access: the City paid for; bathrooms inside access: KETCH paid for and they will be locked
  + A schedule will be maintained on the website to avoid conflicts with KETCH events; scheduling conflict already exists for 2/12 between KETCH and Mending Place
  + KETCH has been allowing Special Olympics to utilize the gym on Thursday nights.
  + There have been issues with the contractors not locking up the building so the City is looking at installing a cardkey system. The City and KETCH want to control who has access to the building.
  + Kitchen - no hood above the stove so no cooking greasy foods
  + KETCH hopes to put fridge in the kitchens: 1 would be locked but the other 1 might not be; Natalie mentioned the idea of bringing a small one of hers to Osage for SWNA
  + KETCH is concerned about using the SWNA chairs. Are they secure and what if they get dirty?
  + Tables and some folding chairs on-site are the property of Mending Place
  + The kitchen cabinets need to be cleaned out and put in a storage cabinet instead.
* The facility needs to be used; make sure to let friends and family know about the facility and the form on our website to complete if they're interested in using the facility. Events must be open to the public and free to attend.
* We'll plan on letting the City know by 2/18 what events we want published in the Spring Parks and Recreation brochure.
* We're coming pretty close to fulfilling our 25 hour commitment with:
  + Basket ball
  + Yoga
  + Work-out classes
  + Movie Nights
  + Church
  + Computer Lab
  + Gold Prospect Club: possible on 2/15
* Signage:
  + Merle has donated some real estate signs that are going to be painted over to place outside the front of the building and at both corners
  + One sign will indicate there's a movie this Saturday night and it will be placed outside at the beginning of the week prior to movie night
  + Matt McManamey is creating vinyl signs for us for $25
* Movie Nights
  + During Daylight Savings months they'll begin at 6 and after Daylight Savings the movies will start at 7
  + Chris will get a flyer to Darlene for SWIM before 11am the next day
  + Movie nights will continue to be on the 4th Saturday of each month
  + Seniors "classic" movie will be at 1pm on the same day
* Upcoming January monthly membership meeting
  + Subcommittee to revise bylaws:
    - Open it up to the general membership;
    - Natalie, Martha, & Josh have already volunteered to join subcommittee;
    - hoping they'll have something to present at February monthly membership meeting
    - Josh will make a motion at January monthly meeting to accept the version we have as being most recent and revising them
  + 501(c)3: Can we apply for our own independent of WIN? There's someone with Sunflower Neighborhood Association that can walk us through the process without having to pay to file.
  + We'll discuss any events that SWNA wants to go in the Spring Parks and Recreation brochure including:
    - neighborhood trash cleanup - City's working to revamp this activity
    - garage sale
    - national night out and Christmas breakfast in a later brochure
    - Natalie will call the City to confirm the dates of the brochures
  + Mailchimp
  + 30 copies of the bylaws to distribute
  + Members-only section of website is password protected
* Discussion of compiling all paper documents related to SWNA and scanning them into GoogleDocs; SWNA's account is southwichita@gmail.com
* KETCH anticipates having internet as soon as they move in; the line is already trenched
* Natalie asked Josh about whether we've lost the domain name for southwichita.com; Josh assured us that he'd check into directly after the meeting
* Robert Perez, the owner of Gators Football
  + hoping to hold meetings to promote interest in the team
  + Tuesdays are basketball in the gym for all ages from 6-8pm; they have 3 coaches and 2 parents present
* There's been a change in District Neighborhood Assistants; Case Bell is now Assistant for Districts 3 & 4
* Tim Warren is a local chiropractor and has expressed an interest in getting involved with SWNA; Robert Perez suggested maybe he could provide physicals for the Gators Football organization
* Financials:
  + Chris Hoppman reported that the SWNA and Osage accounts have been closed at Fidelity Bank and reopened at Mid-America Credit Union
  + The accounts currently have Chris and Josh on them; Natalie is to be added
  + Darlene Nuse suggested that Carol Weinberg be added to the accounts; when asked who Carol was, Darlene suggested she is a former SWNA treasurer who'd like to be treasurer again. Josh stated that board member terms are currently 1 year and that Carol would have to run for election in May or June when we hold elections. Additionally, he suggested that the election process could be changed as part of our bylaw revisions if it's desired.
  + McCormick Association's $500 is still at Fidelity Bank with Marjorie and Lenn's names on the account.
* Major projects for 2014 have to do with communication:
  + website
  + newsletter
  + ways to promote SWNA within the community
    - Through Neighborhood Watches: Community policing will provide a list of block captains and we can mail them notices they can deliver to those are their blocks
  + content from churches that is being submitted through our website is not actually creating a post on our website; Josh agreed to add Chris and Natalie so they can use the data being submitted to create posts.
  + SWIM churches will be asked to add southwichita@gmail.com to their mailing list
  + City of Wichita revitalization plan will need members input.
    - Need to ensure that we don't lose another $180,000.00 grant due to us being disorganized
    - We need to develop a list of wants in Districts 3 & 4
    - This will be discussed at January's monthly membership meeting
* The robo-call to board members was not a total success; Josh will check into
* Meetings: Osage - every other meetings, Board - right before monthly, monthly - fourth Tuesday of the month.