

Sandy Mush Community Center

Board of Directors

Agenda

Monday, June 17, 2019

Call to Order and Welcome – President (5 Minutes) (7:00 pm)

Minutes and Financial Reports: 15 minutes

- Minutes – Bruce (5 minutes)
- Financial Reports – Vanessa (as acting Treasurer) (10 minutes)

New Business: 10 minutes

- Outdoor Water Faucet – Bob (5 minutes)
- July Board Retreat – John (5 minutes)

Oral Reports and Status Updates: 10 minutes

- Long Range Planning Exploration Team – John (5 minutes)
- July 4th Celebration – John (5 minutes)

Written Reports and Status Updates: 10 minutes

- Food Pantry – Jean
- Outdoor Rec Team – Vanessa
- Youth Report – Peggy
- Adult Literacy Report – Peggy
- Out Reach Newsletter – Peggy

Community Announcements and Public Comment: 10 minutes

Adjournment – President (8:00pm)

Food Pantry Report:

At the May Food Pantry we served 52 families and 160 individuals. We put in 131 hours of volunteer time.

We have been purchasing eggs and milk each month. MANNA just informed us that they have chosen our agency because they see the need and will now be supplying and delivering us milk each month at no cost to us. We are still purchasing eggs but have been lucky enough to get some farm fresh eggs donated by our local residents and farmers .

We received a large donation of rations from the Holstein family that was handed out at this months pantry. The food we received from the Stamp Out Hunger Post Office food drive was also distributed. We couldn't do this each month without the monetary and food donations and the support and volunteers from our community. Thank you to all who support the SMCC Food Pantry!

We received a very nice letter from MANNA in support of our Pantry. The full letter will be available to read at the meeting. Here are some of the highlights:

The Sandy Mush Community Center has been a fantastic partner and their service to their community aligns with our mission, which is to involve, educate, and unite people in the work to end hunger in Western NC. MANNA recognizes SMCC as an essential partner that continues to empower their community to work on various health issues including food insecurity. We appreciate their leadership in this important area and encourage your full support of SMCC Food Pantry.

Since their Opening in March of 2017, they have sourced over 65,000 pounds of food from MANNA at little to no cost. During 2018, they served 1525 individuals . In the past year, they have increased the amount of food brought to their pantry that Feeding America classifies as "Foods to Encourage". This includes fruits and vegetables (nothing added), grains (100% whole grains, rolled oats, barley, wild rice, etc.) proteins (eggs, lean meats, and non meat proteins), healthy cereals and beverages. They also work with local farmers to bring in more produce and eggs for each of their distributions.

SMCC is one of our finest partners and I highly recommend them for any opportunity that allows them to expand their reach in Sandy Mush.

Leah Cormier, Buncombe County Outreach Coordinator

Outdoor Rec Team Report:

Outdoor Recreation Team Update:

The outdoor rec team is growing! As we begin this next planning phase of the outdoor space, we want to broaden the community's involvement in the actual planning. We want to have people involved who represent various community perspectives. Vanessa and Terri are very appreciative of the hands-on help that Kevin Duckett and Vance Garrett have already been providing. Please thank Vance when you see him because he performs a weekly playground inspection.

In addition to Kevin and Vance, these community members will also join the team and help with the planning of this project. Brandee Boggs, Dianne Frisbee, Angela Whitney, Jessica and Dillion McMahan. There are a few other community members who may still join depending on scheduling. We are also reaching out to a few of our teenage youth to include them in this team process.

Our initial meeting to get organized and decide upon our design planning process will be Tuesday, June 18 7-9pm. We will definitely continue to seek broad community input on this planning as we proceed, also taking into consideration the input already gathered and shared from the survey and the listening session. If you have questions or suggestions, you are welcome to contact Terri. Also, if you have a strong desire to work on this project and want to make the monthly commitment to help, please let us know. You are welcome.

Respectfully Submitted, Terri

June, 2019, Youth Report

Please see the attached to date calendar for the Summer Family Activities at SMCC.

Monday Playgroup continues to be well attended. The May average attendance was 15 with 20 children in attendance one day and a lower attendance of 12 one day. Early June attendance had been higher with 17 to 20 most Mondays due to some schools ending Memorial Day. Diane Thomas, Barbara Esther, Betsy Weinschel, Brooke Jack, Katie Jackson and Peggy Baldwin volunteered for playgroup in late May/early June.

Summer Open Playtime will begin on Thursdays June 20th to August 1st. We have several special guests this summer to lead activities.

Youth Team volunteers carried out a planting activity at **Spring Fling** and kept the youth room open for play.

Mountain Lady Farm Project offered two craft days to the community May 11th and June 8th. They will offer another craft day event on July 6th from 10 to 1. These are great opportunities for our families at SMCC and well attended. We appreciate all of the work from this organization.

Barbara Vassallo sent this report on the Father's Day event June 8th:
Mountain Lady Farm Project had 10 children, 4 Supervisors (Mountain Lady Farm Project board members), 5 volunteers and 4 parents attend the Father's Day picture with frame program. Frank Barbara brought pine cones and twigs to decorate the frames and John Thomas showed the kids how to crop and print out the pictures the children took of each other. It was one of our more ambitious projects and would not have been successful without the help of our Supervisors and volunteers.

Father's Day Activity with Mountain Lady Farm Project



SMCC Summer Family Fun

June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Notes:
						1	June 8: Mountain Lady Farm Project Craft Day June 10: Playgroup 10:30 - 12:30; Father's Day
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	June 17: Playgroup 10:30 - 12:30 June 20: Summer Open Play 10:30 - 12:30 - Flags
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	June 24: Playgroup Chris Fryar-stories/archery/boffing/fair play June 27: Summer Open Play
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
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July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Notes:
	1	2	3	4	5	6	July 4: SMCC July 4 th Cookout July 1 and 4 - No Playgroups
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	July 6: Mountain Lady Farm Project Craft Day July 8: Playgroup 10:30 - 12:30
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	July 11: Summer Open Play /Melissa Art Project July 15: Playgroup 10:30 - 12:30
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	July 18: Summer Open Play 10:30 - 12:30 July 22: Playgroup 10:30 - 12:30
28	29	30	31				July 25: Hobey Ford Puppet Workshop July 29: Playgroup 10:30 - 12:30

August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Notes:
				1	2	3	August 1: Final Summer Open Play August 5: Playgroup 10:30 - 12:30
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	August 12: Playgroup 10:30 - 12:30 August 19: Playgroup 10:30 - 12:30
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	August 26 and Labor Day - No Playgroup September 9: Playgroup 10:30-12:30 each Mon.
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	

Adult Literacy Project:

- We have three volunteers so far interested in training to offer adult literacy tutoring at SMCC. Buncombe County Literacy Council would like to plan the trainings for October/November to fit their schedule and give time to recruit more volunteers. Volunteers do not need any prior training only to be able to read and be willing to participate in training and tutoring someone for up to one year.