

City of San Jose Senior Commission
Health and Safety Committee
Minutes from Meeting of 25 March 2009

Present:

Elisa Perez-Lindley, Roger Lasson, Larry Saltman, Patrick Hall, Richard Kohl,
Doreen Morgan and Connie Langford (emeritus)

Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Diane Lindberg

Guests:

None

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made and approved to accept the agenda as written

Approval of Minutes:

There were no minutes for the month of February

Announcements:

Connie Langford announced that the Council on Aging will be reviewing their three year plan at a meeting on 6 April at 3:00PM.

Old Business:

We discussed the status of our objectives for this year. The following discussion represents the state of the various objectives that our committee is working on this year.

- a. We discussed the crosswalks at the Senior Centers. Dick Kohl's report on recommendations for crosswalks at senior centers was critiqued. The group decided to change the recommendations of the report and not stipulate a specific time for crosswalk signals. The report will be modified and recommendations for the H&S committee concerning this objective will be discussed at the April meeting.
- b. The objective to study the adequacy of the gerontology department at SJSU as a result of the recent reorganization has not changed. Ms. Perez-Lindley is expecting to have a meeting with key individuals on this issue in the near future.
- c. Mr Saltman has distributed the survey on transportation needs of seniors through the RSVP program. He is also working on a plan to distribute more surveys through Outreach and the Office on Aging. Mr Saltman will status this objective at our next meeting.

New business:

- a. Patrick Hall discussed a new program that is just beginning in California that will provide guidance to health care professionals who are treating patients who do not want extreme measures taken to keep them alive. It is called POLST (Physicians Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment). Mr Hall wants to see how we as a commission might be able to disseminate information about this new program. We asked him to gather more data on what is currently planned to see how we might supplement what already is in the program.

Current Issues:

None

There being no other business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 2:45PM. The next meeting of the Health and Safety committee will be on 22 April 2009 at the Office on Aging.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard R. Kohl, Chair