

Florence Area Community Coalition (FACC)
February 3, 2016 General Meeting Minutes
Siuslaw Library Bromley Room
Florence, OR

Vice President, Linda Weight called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Those present were: Monica Kosman, Pamela Long, Lea Patten, Mary Wagner, Lupe Thompson, Linda Weight, Nancy Glines, Lisa Utz, Ms. Glawacki, Suzanne Mann-Heintz, Kat Cunningham, Corky Franklin, Kathy Lenox, Maggie Bagon, Bianca Derus, Susy Lacer, Bob Dubose, April Dumas, Linda Castro, Sandi Young, and Marsha Sills.

The Minutes of the January 6, 2016 meeting were approved with two corrections, the spelling of Spradling in the attendance list and Spradling in the 4th paragraph. A motion was made by April Dumas and second by Pamela Long.

Treasurer, Pamela Long reported a balance of \$3929 at the end of January 2016. There was one new membership.

Old Business

The Volunteer Event Scholarship Committee was formed. Linda Castro will chair the committee and Kathy Lenox and Maggie Bagon will serve on the committee. Monica Kosman informed the group that she had updated the Scholarship application form and had sent it to Bou Kilgore at Siuslaw High School. She would be sending it to Mapleton High School after today's meeting. The amount of the Scholarship is \$500 this year.

Committee Reports:

Monica gave a brief report on the progress of the Volunteer Appreciation Event. The event will take place on Wednesday, April 13 from 2 PM to 4PM at the Florence Event Center. She announced that the FACC did not receive a grant from the Three Rivers Foundation as was hoped. Linda Weight suggested other grants that might be applied for. Sponsorships would also be sought for the event.

Linda Weight talked about plans for the Aging in Place Forum. The Forum is scheduled to take place on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at the Florence Event Center. Plans are to have several speakers, panels, and appropriate vendors. The FACC is hosting the Forum.

Program:

Corky Franklin, Siuslaw High School Vice Principal was the speaker. He spoke about attendance and graduation rates. The school works very hard to find out why students do not attend and helps as much as possible to keep students in school. He answered questions from the group.

Announcements:

Siuslaw High School has a volunteer program Naggies Pick 5 which is an opportunity to adopt a student in order to make sure they attend, complete their work and encourage

them. An application to volunteer for this program is on the Siuslaw School District website.

Susy Lacer reminded the group that the PTA meets at 6 pm on the Third Tuesday of the month at the Middle School Library. She also spoke about the Recyclers. Reusable dishes are available to rent for all occasions.

Maggie Bagon announced that she is now the Mental Health Community agent for Shangri La. She also reminded everyone that Station KXCR is available to get the word out about events in the community.

Marsha Sills announced that she is the new Community Education Coordinator for Lane Community College.

Suzanne Mann-Heintz invited everyone to a Kick Off celebration for the Siuslaw Education Foundation. The celebration will take place on March 4, 2016 with a Tea, at the Senior Center from 4 pm until 5:30 pm.

Bob DuBose from the Cold Weather Shelter told the group that the Shelter had to open only one time during January. Volunteers are needed to work during the nights that the Shelter is open. More information can be obtained at [Cold Shelter.org](http://ColdShelter.org)

Helping Hands is open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11am until 2pm. Stop by and check out the wish list.

Kat Cunningham is offering Life Skills Training Workshops. Contact her at Kat@circle4oneness.org for information.

Linda Weight spoke of the many events taking place at the Siuslaw Public Library. On Saturday, February 20, at 1 pm, Amber Higgins, author of the book *The Family Disaster Dog* will share how your dog can help rescue you. On February 26 at 1pm, Librarian Kevin Mittge will present 60 Reviews in 60 Minutes. AARP volunteers are assisting with tax preparation on Mondays and Thursdays from now until April 14 from 9:30 am until 2 pm. They will also be there on Saturday, April 9. Stop by the Library to for more information about upcoming events, including author, playwright and teller of tales, Kevin Kling, on March 14 at 7pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults free for students ages 12-18. Tickets are available at the Library.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM,

Monica Kosman
FACC Secretary

