



## **Anchorage Senior Activity Center**

### **Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes In-person and Zoom Meeting Wednesday, February 25, 2026 12pm in the Ballroom**

Meeting Convened at: 12:05 p.m.

**I. Roll Call:**

**Present:** Kelly Stewart; Joe Mathis (Zoom); Micky Becker (Zoom); Elsa Sargento; Lance Bowie (via Zoom); Steve Franklin; Jim Rooney (Zoom); Jim Bailey; Jack Laasch; Gordon Glaser (Endowment), Bob Tannahill (Endowment - Zoom), Juna Penney (Zoom) and MOA representatives Maureen Haggblom (Zoom)

**Staff Present:** Rebecca Parker, Celine Kaplan and Jordan Flake

**Excused:** Gretchen Cuddy, Nancy Groszek and Kris Warren

**II. Safety Moment:** Gordon Glaser shared a safety reminder about exiting your vehicle when surfaces are icy.

**III. Agenda Approval:** Steve Franklin moved to accept the agenda as published; seconded by Jack Laasch – Approved.

**IV. Past Minutes Review and Approval:** Jim Bailey moved to approve the Minutes of the January 28, 2026 Board of Director’s meeting and Steve Franklin seconded – Approved.

**V. Committee Reports:**

MOA Liaison: Maureen Haggblom did not have anything to report but said she’d continue listening in case someone had something for her.

Executive Committee: No report

Endowment Report: Gordon provided an update on the endowment report, which stood at \$6,258,456 as of February, with a draw taken early to maximize interest while the market is high.

Fitness Committee Report: No report

Finance Report: Jordan Flake presented the finance report, noting a January net loss of \$21,562, slightly below the budgeted \$20,617. Key highlights included admin and facilities expenses being below budget, contractual fees exceeding expectations, and membership fees falling short. Fundraising donations were below budget due to timing and a change in the categorization. Fitness fees were below budget, with personnel expenses also lower, while a one-time purchase of ballet bars exceeded the budget. The restaurant and catering operations showed mixed results, with some areas exceeding expectations and others falling short.

The board discussed utility costs, with Micky explaining that the budget was adjusted to account for expected increases in 2026. Jordan reported that the Center has \$98,000 in checking and \$383,000 in savings, with a recent payroll transfer completed. The board received updates on several grants, including a \$50,900 amendment to the nutrition grant and a \$5,000 computer training grant from NCOA, and the loss of the BEC grant due to competition from other applicants.

Jim Bailey motioned to approve the financials, Jack seconded. Approved.

Fundraising: Celine provided a detailed update on the upcoming Garden Gala, including vendor meetings and sponsorship efforts.

Membership Committee: Elsa Sargento reported on membership activities, noting 1,231 total members and plans to engage 486 lifetime members. Elsa discussed the need for board members to sponsor and recommend members, with an expectation of one per month. It was also noted that there is a plan to call those with lapsed memberships.

Facilities Committee Report: Steve Franklin provided a facilities report and also addressed issues with partitions, where the Municipality was unaware of the need for structural design approval before manufacturing. Patrick from MoA is handling the situation and has verbally assured that the project will be funded through existing bond funds, despite delays in the process.

Executive Director Report: Becky Parker reported on the break-in incident, noting security protocol changes and training updates at the Loussac. Concerns remained about the lack of clear protocols and the need for further discussion with the MoA facilities department. Becky shared on the Top 40 Under 40 award for Ashlyn Dye, ongoing preparations for the gala, and she thanked Kelly and Gordon for representing the Senior Center at the successful state legislature visit by AGENET.

**VI. Ad Hoc Committees:**

AGENET and MOA Senior Advisory (Advocacy) – Gordon and Kelly shared about their productive Juneau visit for AGENET. Jim Bailey highlighted the upcoming Older Americans Lunch on May 6, which will recognize outstanding community members and feature motivational speakers.

**VII. Old Business: None**

**VIII. New Business:** None

**IX. Good of the Order:** Guest Carl Cancir, a member of the Senior Center, discussed the need for longer hours, more dances and outdoor activities.

The board meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

**The next Board of Director's meeting is scheduled for March 25, 2026.  
Committee/Staff Reports are attached.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Kris Warren, Secretary**