

FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES  
**Merrill Enrichment Center Committee**  
Meeting was held on Feb. 28th, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.  
Merrill Enrichment Center – 303 N. Sales Street

*Present:* Rev. Kyle Carnes (Chair), Rose Akey, Gene Bebel, Erin Wells (ADRC Representative)

*Absent:* Mary Ball (Aldersperson), S. Peggy Jackelen

**1. Opening**

- a. Carnes called the meeting to order

**2. Consent Items**

- a. Motion made by Bebel, second by Akey to approve Jan. '18 meeting minutes. Motion carried.
- b. Motion made by Bebel, second by Akey to approve monthly vouchers. Motion carried.

**3. Public Comment**

- a. None

**4. Program Updates**

- a. Attendance in the new Center has steadily increased in the New Year. We are averaging 124 people a week with a record of 171 people the week of Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>. Yoga is averaging 16 people.
- b. Evening classes have been going well. Guitar lessons will continue through May. We will continue offering a variety of evening classes.
- c. New classes include Tai Chi, a 12 week class that meets twice a week and guitar lessons. Both well attended with a wait list for guitar.

**5. ADRC**

- a. Erin mentioned the need for *volunteer* leaders for a variety of classes they would like to offer through the ADRC; stepping on, caregiving, healthy living, etc. Training is provided and paid for. Also discussed was the need for meals on wheels delivery volunteers. Even one day a month would be helpful.

**6. Discussion (8:25)**

- a. Director discussed budget with Committee which included the \$10,000 taken from our Bierman funded meal program for payment on the new kitchen as well as the \$10000 of revenues expected for the City's general fund. Carnes made a motion; second by Akey, against the process, principle and end product of how these financial decisions were conducted. Further discussion will take place in the March meeting.

**7. Adjournment (9:00)**

- a. Motion to adjourn made by Bebel second by Akey.

Next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 8am.**

*Vouchers will be available for review 10 minutes prior to meeting time.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*TMrachek*

Tammie Mrachek  
MEC Director

*Enrichment Center Mission Statement: Dedicated to Enhancing Lives and Bringing Generations Together*