

WALLINGFORD COMMITTEE ON AGING, INC.
January 19, 2024
MINUTES OF MEETING

ATTENDANCE: Steve Allinson, Karen Anderson, Evangeline Bourgeois, Tom Daly, Rosemary DeAngelis, Rocco DiGenova, George Duffy, Alberta Flynn, Ronald Graziani, Audrey Grove and Tara Knapp

EXCUSED: Anne Bernick, Tom Finn, Jane Fisher, Susan Gomes, Glenn Havumaki and Bill Viola

ABSENT:

President Tom Daly called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

President Tom Daly asked if there were any additions or corrections to the December 15, 2023 Secretary's Report.

Ron Graziani made a motion to accept the December Secretary's Report. Alberta Flynn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

December 2023 Operating Account Report

Treasurer George Duffy reported on the six months ending December 31, 2023. Receipts are \$496,605 which is \$9,879 above the budgeted amount of \$486,726. Expenditures are \$498,928 which is \$12,202 above the budgeted amount. This results in a net negative of \$2,393. Again, this is due to the timing of some payments.

Tara Knapp made a motion to accept the December Operating Account Report. Audrey Grove seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

December 2023 Program Account Report

Program Director Karen Anderson reported that Club 60+ now has 293 members, of which 267 are Silver Sneakers or Renew Active. Every month we gain a couple more members. People may be changing insurances at this time but we plan to check swipes for those that were rejected. For November, we received \$2,565 for SilverSneakers and Renew Active with 1,280 swipes. For the eleven months we have been doing this, the total amount received was \$42,078. This does not all go to the gym; it's also used for instructors, machine maintenance, etc. Lost a bit of money with the Holiday Party since there were a lot of additional charges from the restaurant that we didn't pay with Monticello's. Lake View was good with \$3,986. There were 9 overnight trips and 10 day trips for 2023 and the Senior Center received a total of \$22,070 which was close to budget.

Evangeline Bourgeois made a motion to accept the December Program Account Report. Steve Allinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Tom Daly asked that the Consent Agenda be accepted.

Ron Graziani made a motion to accept the December Consent Agenda. Evangeline Bourgeois seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director

President Tom Daly read Executive Director Bill Viola's report in his absence.

Program Director

Karen Anderson reported that there were quite a few holiday parties last month, including the annual visit from the Mayor and the Lyman Hall Chorus. Fun for everyone. Also, had the Chika Wie family (husband, wife and two children) again with violins and cellos. This is the second year we've had them here and have them booked again for the art show. Tomorrow is the R Band winter warmer concert, sponsored by Park & Rec with pizza for about 65 people and more expected for the show. AARP will be doing tax preparations again this year beginning in February. There are only three preparers (volunteers) so appointments will be limited.

OLD BUSINESS

Grant Update

President Tom Daly read an update from ED Viola. The SC continues to bill AASCC in arrears for the Grief and Anxiety support groups. Using funds from the ARPA grant for individual therapy and have a balance of \$22,050.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel Committee – new staff position

Steve Allison gave an update as a member of the Personnel Committee. The committee met and brainstormed regarding the position, which they agreed on calling it a Facilities Assistant. Its main purpose is someone to help the ED with general concerns, along with day-to-day issues. Hopefully, it will be a passing on of the intricate things to run the Center i.e., building structure and knowing who to call, vendors and working with Public Works, when necessary. A discussion followed on what type of candidates the Center would like to aim for. It was mentioned that Ed was working on a salary scale.

FY 24-25 Budget Planning

President Daly read the notes ED submitted regarding the budget. Mentioned that the last two years we had tax credits and the ask was lower but this year we will not have that and it may appear high. There will be more discussions as more information is forthcoming.

OTHER BUSINESS

President Tom Daly read a thank you note from the Wallingford Elks Lodge for the Senior Center's continued support of veterans.

ADJOURNMENT

Tara Knapp made the motion to adjourn. Audrey Grove seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth H. Johnson
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