

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

ATTENDANCE: Karen Anderson, Anne Bernick, Evangeline Bourgeois, Rosemary DeAngelis, Rocco DiGenova, George Duffy, Tom Finn, Jane Fisher, Susan Gomes, Ronald Graziani, Audrey Grove, Tara Knapp, Karin Pyskaty and Bill Viola

EXCUSED: Steve Allinson, Glenn Havumaki and Alberta Flynn

ABSENT:

President Jane Fisher called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

President Jane Fisher asked if there were any additions or corrections to the March 15, 2024 Secretary's Report.

Tara Knapp made a motion to accept the March Secretary's Report. Ron Graziani seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

March 2024 Operating Account Report

Treasurer George Duffy reported on the nine months ending March 31, 2024. Receipts are \$738,803.35 which is \$8,712.86 above the budgeted amount of \$730,090.49. Expenditures are \$733,056.49 which is \$2,966.00 above the budgeted amount. All of this results in a net positive of \$5,746.86.

Rosemary DeAngelis made a motion to accept the March Operating Account Report. Susan Gomes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

March 2024 Program Account Report

Program Director Karen Anderson reported that Club 60+ now has 323 members. SilverSneakers had 794 swipes and a check for \$ 1,632 while Renew Active had 437 swipes for \$1,017. Lake View made \$2,984 after expenses and Classes & Groups brought in \$1,514. There were no trips in March but several in April.

Tara Knapp made a motion to accept the March Program Account Report. Anne Bernick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Jane Fisher asked that the Consent Agenda be accepted.

Ron Graziani made a motion to accept the February Consent Agenda. Audrey Grove seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director

Executive Director William Viola reported that the HVAC project was completed and he is satisfied with the results. With all new thermostats and volume dampers throughout the building plus the new control panels and all rooftop equipment functioning properly we should be in good shape for the foreseeable future. New WSC sign has hit a bump in the road as the planning and zoning folks after expressing initially that it would be allowed, suddenly came up with a number of issues. ED and Tim Keough from Image 360 will be meeting with town Zoning Enforcement Officer this Wednesday at 10:30 AM to try and work things out. Newly hired bus driver, Joe Adkins is working out great so and that has eased the pressure transportation scheduling and also anticipating some new per diem drivers coming aboard soon. Annual Agnes Campos Memorial Butterfly Garden clean out on Saturday April 13, with 12 Q. U. students, all members of the volleyball team who after working received a tour of the center and lunch. A leaking pipe from the fire sprinkler system ate a hole through a light fixture in the hallway near the men's room. DPW brought in Pro 7 Fire to replace pipe fitting and electrician replace light fixture. Pro 7 also replaced auxiliary batteries for the fire alarm panel due to a trouble alarm. Memory Lane Coordinator Debbie Markiewicz was honored as a Healthcare Warrior by the Hamden Regional Chamber of Commerce at Cascade on 4-11-24. WSC is partnering with SCOW for a couple of their future events, International Day Celebration on May 8th from 5:30-7:30 PM and will use WSC Activity Room for Art displays and Great Room for some performances. There will be a shuttle bus with offsite parking and lots of food, music and dancing. On Sunday, June 2nd, The Mariachi Academy led by Evangeline will hold their end of the year celebration and concert here in the Great Room. WSC members are invited as usual to attend both these events.

Program Director

Program Director Karen Anderson reported that the March 27th Spring Evening Concert featuring the "Corvette's Doo Wop Review, sold 123 tickets. AARP Tax Volunteer Preparation service ended 4-10 with over 35 appointments taken. 49 members attended the "Blue Moon Raptors" presentation on 4-19. St. Patrick's Celebration on 4-15 with Ashly Cruz had 79 attendees. Thursday Evening Dinner and Cabaret began 4-11 with Roast Beef dinner and Jukebox 45 was well received by the 115+ who attended. Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon on Friday 4-26, WSC closing at noon. So that buses could be provided for volunteers and staff could attend. Pickleball is beginning at Harrison Park, T-shirts are being handed out to members when they sign up. 120 attended the Governors Foot Guard concert with new director, Patti Lignelli ("R" Band) on 4-15. Upcoming; free Memorial Concert for Emil Krol, featuring Pat & Amity Russo on May 20th, "Fine Arts, Flowers & Verse" event on June 7 & 8th and "The Eagles Experience" on June 20th.

OLD BUSINESS

FY 24-25 Budget Update

Received annual request from the town council for our intended use for funds the town provides, the impact if we did not receive funding, our current budget request and our most recent bank statement all of which was provided immediately. Another memo from town clerk regarding Budget Workshops with Town Council on 4-16, 4-18 and 4-25, with public hearing on 4-29 was changed, cancelling the workshops and we are told to just plan to attend the Public Hearing on 4-29-24 at 6 PM.

Grants Review

AASCC and billed them for another \$1,000 so our remaining balance with them is \$1,850 and we also spent another \$1,170 of the Town ARPA funds leaving us a balance of \$ 19,060. Sent in the documentation, for the HVAC project for reimbursement from the State of CT for \$98,527.82

WCOA Committee Openings

Jane Fisher automatically goes on the Executive Committee as President, Tom Daly's other vacated openings are on the Memory Lane, Health & Nutrition, which Rosemary DeAngelis will fill and on Long Range Planning, that Karen Pyskaty will fill.

NEW BUSINESS

Program Director opening

Received 120 applicants on Indeed, 96 immediately rejected. 11 receiving initial interviews. Also received a couple of other resumes from outside sources. Program Coordinator Erin Ambler is also a candidate. Plan is to conduct initial online interviews to whittle the numbers down and then move to a second round of in person interview with a WCOA Personnel Committee member, hopefully Jane Fisher and another staff member assisting in the interview process.

OTHER BUSINESS

None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Tara Knapp made the motion to adjourn. Karin Pyskaty seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William Viola
Executive Director