

WALLINGFORD COMMITTEE ON AGING, INC.
June 17, 2022
MINUTES OF MEETING

ATTENDANCE: Steve Allinson, Karen Anderson, Evangeline Bourgeois, Tom Daly, Rosemary DeAngelis, Rocco DiGenova, Tom Finn, Jane Fisher, Alberta Flynn, Susan Gomes, Ronald Graziani, Audrey Grove, Tara Knapp and William Viola

EXCUSED: Anne Bernick

ABSENT: Glenn Havumaki and John Rankin

President Tom Daly called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

President Tom Daly asked if there were any additions or corrections to the May 20, 2022 Secretary's Report.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

May 2022 Operating Account Reports

Treasurer Ron Graziani reported for the eleven months ending May 31, 2022. Receipts are \$787,894 which is \$7,032 below the budgeted amount of \$794,926. Expenditures are \$761,203 which is \$33,723 below the budgeted amount. This results in a net positive of \$26,691.

Alberta Flynn made a motion to accept the May Operating Account Reports. Evangeline Bourgeois seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

May 2022 Program Account Report

Program Director Karen Anderson reported that Programs brought in some money this month. There was \$4,600 for a couple overnight trips and \$300 on day trips. We are slowly building our programs back up. Lake View Café is still about \$1600 a month; numbers are still down for everyday purchases. Thursday night dinners are still lower than they were two years ago. May have to raise the prices to cover the cost of food and paper products. Silver Sneakers had 640 swipes in March, resulting in a check for \$1100; April had 664 swipes for a \$1455 check. Challenge now is to determine why the swipes we submitted didn't get result in money for us. May had 951 swipes so we are definitely making a little bit of headway. A lot of questions from members about getting United Healthcare's Renew Active program, which is similar to Silver Sneakers. We are hoping we will be able to get a contract with them, as well.

Rosemary DeAngelis made a motion to accept the May Program Account Report. Audrey Grove seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Tom Daly asked that the Consent Agendas be accepted.

Tara Knapp made a motion to accept the May Consent Agendas. Jane Fisher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director

ED Bill Viola reported that he took time off last week since his wife and daughters were in Ireland to do things around the house. But was sick over the past weekend, although did not have Covid. The Center continues to be plagued by HVAC issues. Some rooms were very cold with a/c blasting. Reliable is still working on it and thinks it may be a wiring issue. Very frustrating. Other issue is parts are hard to come by. Treadmill needed fixing and there were minor repairs to the bocce court. Social services coordinator is doing well; Tuesdays and Thursdays she is doing on-line training. Staff continues to meet challenges of Silver Sneakers; a great volunteer is helping. The use of credit cards is going well. Programs staff is working hard with numerous activities after hours.

Program Director

Program Director Karen Anderson reported that we are still having issues with AARP Safe Driving class. The Wednesday, June 1st class was cancelled but they didn't notify us until the Monday before. But AARP is going to give those that registered their money back and let them take the class for free. They are very strict with the covid numbers. Fine Arts, Flowers and Verse was held the beginning of June and everyone did a fabulous job. About 140 people came to see the show over the two days. Tonight is a concert of the music of the Carpenters. We needed to sell 100 tickets to pay for the band and sold 115 tickets. Reviewed other upcoming events.

OLD BUSINESS

LRP Update

The LRP Committee met with the consultant and then she also met with staff on June 2nd and did a similar process. Emily and I talked briefly this week and we are meeting via zoom on June 30th. She suggested possible focus groups and maybe another survey. Another suggestion was that we needed to more clearly define our mission and what our priorities are. Committee will be talking about that in the next couple of weeks.

Wallingford Jubilee 350

ED stated that we have been preparing for the parade on Saturday. Our float has been spearheaded by Erin, with Joann and a couple of great volunteers helping. Was just asked on Monday if the Center could provide handicap transportation with one of our buses equipped with a wheelchair lift for the parade. A lot of mixed messages and confusion. During the week there are a lot of activities for the Jubilee. Senior Day is on Thursday and we have activities planned throughout the day and ending with pizza and a "R" Band concert. Also have the Staff Appreciation dinner on Tuesday with 31 staff and Board members attending at J. Carver's Restaurant.

NEW BUSINESS

Program Budget

ED Viola handed out a proposed program budget which he and Karen worked on. A discussion followed.

Ron Graziani made a motion to accept the proposed program budget as presented. Jane Fisher seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

WCOA Board Membership

ED brought up a difficult issue with a current Board member who was a previous board member for 9 years, left and came back a couple years ago. However, he has not come to a meeting in 6 months or more. ED has called him a few times and it appears his health situation is not good at this time. ED will draft a letter to replace him on the board. Nominating committee will discuss a new member.

OTHER BUSINESS

FOI Act

ED Viola and President Tom Daly received a letter from the town attorney's office reviewing the requirements for WCOA Board meetings relating to the FOI Act. After a discussion, it was decided that Board sub-committees also need to follow FOI requirements.

ADJOURNMENT

Rosemary DeAngelis made the motion to adjourn. Alberta Flynn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Johnson
Administrative Assistant