

Committee on Aging

January 11, 2022

Social Room

Present: Allan Brixius, Ron VonDrachek, Ruth Malzahn, Debbie Bonk, Mary Schultz, June Kramer, Donna Kickland, Wendy Hutterer (ADRC), Curtis Hall (Staff), Amanda Orth (Staff), Katelin Dorow (Staff),

Absent: Lydia Groeshel

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 1:33 pm
2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES (NOVEMBER 8, 2022)
 - a. Motion- R. VonDrachek
 - b. Second- M. Schultz
 - c. Motion Approved
3. COA CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR POSITIONS- Report out by Allan Brixius
 - a. NOMINATIONS FOR POSITIONS
 - i. Nominations for Chair
 1. R. VonDrachek- Allan Brixius
 2. Seconded by M. Schultz
 3. Nominations Approved
 - ii. Nominations for Vice Chair
 1. A. Brixius- Debbie Bonk
 2. Seconded by R. VonDrachek
 3. Nominations Approved
 - b. ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATIONS
 - i. Allan Brixius Accepted nomination
 - ii. Debbie Bonk Accepted nomination
 - c. VOTING ON POSITIONS IF NEEDED
 - i. Not needed
4. AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER REPORT- Report out by Wendy Hutterer
 - a. Vendor (Konop's) for meal sites closed their catering division down.
 - i. Lack of staffing
 - ii. Food scarcity
 - iii. January-
 1. Stayed on for January for Manitowoc and Two Rivers
 2. Badger in Kiel is covering meal sites there
 3. Sherriff's Department in Manitowoc has been brought on
 - iv. Starting Feb 1st
 1. Manitowoc County Sherriff's Dept.- Covers Manitowoc
 2. Konop will cover Kewaunee
 3. Still experiencing transportation issues for getting meals to meal sites
 4. Exploring "Restaurant model" in smaller areas
 - a. Riverview Restaurant in Kiel
 - v. Algoma meal site will now be at the Algoma City Community Center
 - vi. Prevention Programs are starting to roll out
 - vii. Congregate should be opening again Feb 1st.
 - b. ADRC will not be offering tax prep moving forward
5. SENIOR CENTER UPDATES AND DISCUSSIONS- Report out by Curtis Hall
 - a. CURRENT PROGRAMS AND SCHEDULE UPDATES

- i. FITNESS PROGRAMS
 - 1. Working to partner with local vendors
 - a. Having a difficult time trying to hire individuals
 - b. We are still trying to find instructors/actively promoting positions open
 - 2. Youtube Yoga
 - a. Will not be your traditional Yoga
 - b. We will play Yoga videos on the TV
 - c. Curt will facilitate
 - 3. Cardio Drumming
 - a. Joyce is interested in bringing back cardio drumming
 - 4. Currently running a program with ATI
 - 5. This is a priority for staff to increase fitness class offerings
 - ii. EZ DOES IT (LINE DANCING)
 - 1. REQUEST TO REMOVE FEE FOR THIS PROGRAM AS THERE IS NO INSTRUCTOR AND IT IS A SOCIAL GROUP ONLY
 - 2. Motion to remove fee for the group- A. Brixius
 - 3. Second- D. Bonk
 - 4. Motion Approved
 - b. CREATION OF POLICY UPDATE COMMITTEE: FIRST MEETING JANUARY 18TH AT 11:00 AM
 - i. AGENDA REVIEW
 - 1. No agenda at this time
 - ii. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/CONCERNS ON POLICY COMMITTEE AGENDA
 - 1. Meeting is open to all Senior Center Members
 - 2. COA Members are HIGHLY encouraged to participate in this group
 - c. DISCUSSION OF REDUCING MEMBERSHIP FEES/OFFERING LOWER OR NO FEES TO LOW INCOME INDIVIDUALS PER UW EXTENSION REQUEST IN NOVEMBER OF 2021
 - i. Review- Laure Apfleback with the UW- Extension requested we consider reduce fees for lower income individuals who cannot afford the current rates.
 - ii. The number of individuals requesting this are low.
 - iii. Discussion:
 - 1. Anyone deemed low income could get a free lifetime membership
 - 2. Potentially creating a scholarship program
 - a. Implantation would be challenging
 - i. Who is/is not eligible?
 - ii. Who would review documentation?
 - iii. Eligibility for Medicaid would be a requirement
 - iv. Would need to discuss with legal and finance
 - 3. If we move forward, be sure to educate on what the dollars go towards and why paid memberships are important
 - 4. Staff will consult with Business, Finance, and Legal on potential options
 - d. QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS ON SENIOR CENTER UPDATES AND DISCUSSION
6. SENIOR CENTER EVENTS AND TRIPS DISCUSSION- Report out by Curtis Hall
 - a. MONTHLY TRIPS PLANNED FOR FEBRUARY TO MAY
 - i. EAA was cancelled
 - ii. Mystery Trip in February
 - iii. Farm Disc. In March
 - iv. Fireside in April
 - v. Anderson Gardens in May
 - vi. Discussions about overnight trips
 - 1. Would use a vendor

- b. EVENT PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE
 - i. Donna, Joyce, and Diane are all on the committee
 - 1. Valentine's event
 - 2. St. Patrick's Day
 - 3. Spring Fling
 - 4. Open House
- 7. COA UPDATES
 - a. HOLIDAY FAIR FOOD SERVICE
 - i. A. Brixius recommends COA would oversee food service for all future Holiday Fairs in collaboration with Curt.
 - b. DISCUSSION OF MOVING TO MONTHLY MEETINGS VS. BI-MONTHLY
 - i. Keep current meeting schedule
- 8. FINANCIAL REPORT
 - a. Expense report was not included this month
 - i. Add for next meeting
 - b. Creating a priority list of needs/wants for the Center
 - c. Explanation of the CAWG process
- 9. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS
- 10. ADJOURN- NEXT MEETING MARCH 14, 2022
 - a. Adjourn at 2:56 pm
 - b. Motion- R. VonDrachek
 - c. Second- D. Kickland
 - d. Motion approved