

CHISAGO COUNTY BOARD ON AGING MEETING

May 18, 2023

The Chisago County Board on Aging was called to order on May 18, 2023, at 9:30am by President, Carol Gilquist. Those present included officers Gilquist, Carol Stradinger, Todd Fisk and Judy Nelson; directors Pam Schultz, Betty Schlipp, Connie Kaiser, Joe Kolb and Marjorie Scheele. Gwendolyn Swenson and Pat Menne-Hannigan were excused for medical reasons. Gary Fladland was excused because he was out of town. Jon Ekstrom was absent without excuse provided. There were no guests present at the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the invocation was read by Joe.

A motion was made by Todd and seconded by Connie to accept the secretary's report as amended to read that "after approval, CCBOA minutes will be put on the Web Site." The motion passed.

A motion was made by Carol S and seconded by Joe to accept the treasurer's report pending the addition of a missing page. The motion passed. There is a problem with the high charge for garbage collection because people moving from Uptown Maple Commons either throw away many items or the people moving for them discard items which creates overflow in the dumpsters. Discussion about how to prevent this from occurring. Deanna with UMC is looking into it.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Dances: the April 20 dance received many compliments, but there were fewer people attending. Discussion on possibly changing the date of future dances to avoid conflicting events.
2. The CCSC Web site is fully functional now. Send items to Molly.
3. Age-Well class: the second class in the series on May 17 was very well attended and appreciated.
4. Floor cleaning: the yearly floor cleaning job was sent out for bids. A motion was made to accept the lowest bid received.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Bingo: Gloria Flor, who leads bingo games with her husband, Bill, is on an extended medical leave. The Board secretary will send her a card and plant. Bill will continue to call bingo and a couple has volunteered to support him.
2. Pat Menne-Hannigan is on an extended medical leave. The Board secretary will send her a card and plant.
3. Faucet for strip kitchen: approval was given for purchase and installation of a high-arch faucet to allow for easier filling of the large coffee urns.
4. Bill Pay services: Todd Fisk has been utilizing a bill pay service for some transactions. He indicates it is more convenient and saves money. However, it does not meet the requirement of our by law, which states that two people on the executive committee need to sign checks and have their signatures on file with the bank. A by-law committee was set up to look into this situation. Carol S, Connie and Gary volunteered for this task.
5. Dance June 15 with music by Wes Squeazy Miller. Cost \$7 for dance plus light meal.

COMMITTEES

1. Tables Around Town committee: Carol G reported that our major fund raiser held May 6 was held at the Legion for the first time. An early estimate of \$15,000 profit was presented to the Board! Congratulations and a huge thank you to Carol and her team of volunteers. We discussed moving the event back to the Senior Center and making a few additional changes. Thank you letters will be sent out to the generous donors.

2. New sign committee: Gary is taking the lead and he talked with Jason Zimmer, from the City of North Branch to determine the parameters for two signs identifying the CCSC. Gary was not present at this meeting, but provided his information for the Board members to review. Discussion about placement of new signs and use of the old sign. Carol G will consult with Char at the sign company.

ACTIVITIES

Potluck: the potluck dinner was moved to May 21 to avoid a Mother's Day conflict.

Exercise met three times a week with growing number of participants.

Games of 500, cribbage, bingo, hand and foot and dominos all are going successfully. Music has returned to a weekly schedule.

Jammin' with Joe is doing well and now will have a subtitle: "a support group" so people won't mistake it for a musical group.

MEDIA SPECIALIST

Molly is always looking for items of interest to seniors for the newsletter. She would like some favorite recipes submitted for inclusion.

OFFICE REPORT

The office has four new volunteers in various stages of training to cover the CCSC office. With Pat on medical leave from the Board, Carol S volunteered to send out letters to the townships and cities in Chisago County requesting donations to support the Center.

COMMENTS/CONCERNS

none

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Connie and seconded by Todd to adjourn the meeting at 10:46AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Nelson, Secretary