

CHISAGO COUNTY BOARD ON AGING MEETING

July 20, 2023

The Chisago County Board on Aging was called to order on July 25, 2023, at 9:30am by President, Carol Gilquist. Those present included officers Gilquist, Carol Stradinger, Todd Fisk and Judy Nelson; Directors Joe Kolb, Connie Kaiser, Pam Schultz, Betty Schlipp, Marge Scheele, Gary Fladland, Gwendolyn Swenson and Jon Ekstrom. Pat Menne-Hannigan did not provide an excuse for not attending the meeting. There were no guests in attendance.

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

A motion was made by Betty and seconded by Joe to accept the secretary's report as corrected to read "Red Cross blood drive at the CCSC on August 18." Motion passed.

A motion was made by Connie and seconded by Betty to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The board decided to hold dances twice a year at holidays.
2. The waste management billing has been corrected so Ecumen and the BOA each pay for the right service. We will continue with the same company as it offers the best price.
3. We have switched to Ecolab for dishwasher solutions and tubing. Catholic Charities pays the bill for those items and asked for the change. A list of services that Ecolab can provide was circulated at the meeting.
4. A city permit to erect our new sign had been obtained and the site identified. We will talk with Deanna from Ecumen about options for a site for the old sign.
5. The new faucet in the strip kitchen has been installed.
6. Sheriff Thyen gave an excellent, well attended presentation on scams at the CCSC.

NEW BUSINESS

1. There will be a Fall Craft Show at the Center on October 21 from 10am to 3pm. The cost per table will be \$35. The previous craft fair raised \$800 for the CCSC.
2. Musicians are needed for the Tuesday music before lunch series.
3. We are recruiting people who live or work in Chisago County to apply for positions on the CCBOA. Election will be in October, 2023.

4. Our lease with Ecumen ends in 2031. We will ask Deanna to make a proposal if Ecumen is considering changes. 5. Dine and Discover will present a program on senior living options on August 2. **COMMITTEES**

Finance: The finance committee provided a draft of proposed changes in the policy and asked Board members to review them for discussion at the August BOA meeting.

ACTIVITIES

Potluck drew 25 participants and received \$82 in cash donations.

Exercise with Connie is going wonderfully; they are using the dining room now.

Games: 500, cribbage (8 tables), hand and foot, bingo and dominos are doing well.

Music: We need more musicians to play on Tuesday at 11:15. We discussed offering a meal to the performers as we have done in the past. Billing is more complicated now, but it could be arranged.

Jammin' with Joe support group is going smoothly. Joe announced he will be wrapping up the group in the Fall, taking time off this Winter and reevaluating in the Spring. We appreciate his dedication and leadership of this group.

OFFICE

Two new volunteers have completed training and are taking a day in the office. Three additional volunteers are on call to cover as needed.

COMMENTS

Carol S mentioned that we need volunteers to help with the Red Cross blood drive on August 18 from 9am to 3pm. Call the office to take a shift for this important activity.

We discussed renter concerns and expectations.

A new diagram is needed for table and chair placement in the activity room.

Senior story time will be held at the North Branch library the first Tuesdays in September through December from 1-2:30pm.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Gary and seconded by Connie to adjourn the meeting at 10:56am. The motion passed.

**Respectfully submitted,
Judy Nelson, Secretary**