

## CHISAGO COUNTY BOARD ON AGING MEETING

March 21, 2024

The Chisago County Board on Aging was called to order on March 21, 2024, at 9:31 am by President, Carol Gilquist. Those present included officers: Carol Gilquist, Carol Stradinger, Todd Fisk and Terry Reyer; Directors: Connie Kaiser, Pam Schultz, Gary Fladland, Marge Scheele, Connie Jaques, Gwendolyn Swenson, Henry Scott, Betty Schlipp and Cathy Buda.

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

A motion was made by Pam S. and seconded by Connie K. to accept the Secretary's Report as corrected. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Carol S. and seconded by Betty S. to accept the Treasurer's Report as present. The motion passed.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. A purchase for a Hillyard vacuum model was made. It's very quiet and easy to use. The office staff had a training session about the new vacuum. The vacuum will be in the office closet. Will be for staff only. It is not to be used on any wet floors. There are also the older 2 vacuums. Will get an estimate on the old vacuums to see how much it will cost to refurbish each one. Will have one vacuum serviced at a time.

2. Went over Activities for Exposure in 2024. Activities that were mentioned as doing: TAT in May. There may be a booth. Apple Fest-Almelund, Age Well Expo-this is not a full day event. Many seniors favor this event. Will need to start planning this event. Sarah and Carol G. will be working on a letter for setting up volunteers. Was shared that events will also be posted in Rush City and Chisago Lakes. Will need to start planning for help with the Potluck and the Fall Craft Show.

3. A committee was decided on for picking out and ordering new chairs for the center. It was decided that the cost for the chairs would not exceed \$5,000. The center will be keeping the old chairs that are in good shape. There needs to be enough chairs in a room when rented out. The new chairs came with a 10-year warranty. A motion was made by Cathy and Pam seconded the motion. The motion passed.

4. Jill contacted Carol about printing options, after discussion, it was decided we would continue with Poste Haste for our newsletter printing.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. About doing Investment opportunities with Members Bank about maybe earn interest with the money. Was suggested to take \$50,000. and invest into a CD. The CD at 5% for 7 months, the interest could pay for the chairs. A motion was made by Connie and seconded by Gwen.
2. "Lets Go Fishing" opportunity was presented by Marge S. It is a service doing outdoor experience to those who might not otherwise have the opportunity to get out on the water again for fishing, boating, enjoying time on the water with family and friends. They have 2 trips per day. A pontoon boat in Chisago Lakes and one on Rush Lake. Brochures are at the office. To have Molly put this on FB.
3. Deanna Schmidt was present at the meeting and shared info about the building. What work that may need to be done, future plans and improvements. The lease Uptown Commons till October 31, 2031. A feed back will be given to Deanna in May.

## **COMMITTEES**

**Tables Around Town (TAT):** Carol G. and Terri N. have been working on plans for the event. A flyer has been made and sent out. It will be held at the CCSC Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Are still open for donations. Some donations of \$250 and \$500 have been donated. Any type of donation: gift cards, items, wine, liquor. Will be a silent and a live auction. (Golf pkgs. A mystery box) No pre raffle tickets this year. Will be decorating tables, music/speakers, no live entertainment, catered sit-down dinner. Will need help with the decorating, set up and take down and to help Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> to set up all day. Marge will help with the people who will deliver the food. There will be NO cards or Exercise scheduled for Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mentioned the football players will be asked again to plate and serve the food. To come 1 hour ahead of time. There will be No games or exercise at Center Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Language revamp on rental agreement:** Still working on it.

## **ACTIVITIES**

**Potluck:** Carol S reported there were 39 participants and \$62.00 was donated.

**Exercise:** Connie K stated it is going great.

**Games:** 500, Cribbage, Hand and Foot, Bingo and Dominos all are well attended. Participants growing. The games are going well.

**Music:** Jeanie Fox is doing music. It is going okay.

**Movie:** 10 people were present. \$20 in donations received.

## **OFFICE REPORT**

Carol S. noted that things are going well. Will need to continue the discussion about the floors and carpet being cleaned again this year. Concerns were brought up about how to handle donated drop-off items from people. Some of the items in the past have not been safe.

Was brought up to check to equipment out before the person donating leaves the center and to make sure there are no broken or unusable items left at the center. Maybe keep a base of 4, so that the center will not be storing too many of the same items. If not comfortable taking the donation, then not to take it.

## **MEDIA**

Carol G. will be talk with Molly about concerns of the Newsletter.

## **COMMENTS/CONCERNS**

Rides for Seniors to and from appointments. Finding services that can be called and help with the transportation.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Gary and seconded by Henry to adjourn the meeting at 11:13 AM. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Reyer, Secretary