

CHISAGO COUNTY BOARD ON AGING MEETING

September 19, 2024

The Chisago County Board on Aging was called to order on September 19, 2024, at 9:33 am by President, Carol Gilquist. A Quorum was present. Those present included officers: Carol Gilquist, Carol Stradinger, Todd Fisk and Terry Reyer; Directors: Connie Kaiser, Pam Schultz, Connie Jaques, Gwendolyn Swenson, Betty Schlipp, Marge Scheele and Cathy Buda.

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

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

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

OLD BUSINESS

1. Christmas Concert/date and volunteers: Save the Date! The Christmas Concert will be held on Sunday, December 22nd from 12:00 to 4:00. The luncheon and entertainment will be set up in the Dining Room. The room has been reserved. It will be a free will offering. Lunch will be served first and then Anthony and friends will then do the entertainment for about an hour. There will be music and singing. All ages are welcome.
2. Grant award from Edina Reality Foundation: Carol was invited to a luncheon where nonprofit organizations that combat homelessness were awarded grants. Edina Reality granted the center a check for \$2,000. At our center Catholic Charities serves low-cost meals, we display the MN housing magazines that provide information on housing for seniors as well as many other resources.

NEW BUSINESS

Welcome to a new group on Wednesdays (Prayer Group): A ladies prayer group meets every Wednesday from 9:00 to 11:30. Was suggested a small prayer canister could be put in the office if there are any requests, the ladies would read them and pray for requests and concerns.

Possible Church group to return: A church group had reached out to see if there would be space at the center to have services if possible, on Sundays to meet as a temporal place. They have not called back.

Catholic Charities territory for the MOW program: Vickie from Catholic Charities came in and shared Senior Dining Congregate and the Meals on Wheels program. A program that provides meals for seniors weekly. They have a weekly menu at the center and what is delivered.

COMMITTEES

Fall Craft Fair: Sarah has put some information in the Newsletter about this event. It will be on Saturday, October 26th from 10:00am-3 pm Local artists and delicious refreshments will be served. Will need some help with setting up and cleaning up after the craft fair. This event is open to the public and is free admission.

Furniture for Lobby: The committee had not yet met. Will need to set up a time and date. Carol had seen some chairs on Wayfair. There are other web places to check out prices and styles for chairs and couch. After the meeting they will then pick something out for the lobby.

ACTIVITIES

Potluck: 29 attended, \$49 donation.

Exercise: Connie K. Classes are going well.

Games: 500, Cribbage, Hand and Foot, Bingo and Dominos. The games are going well.

Music: Is going really well.

Movie: Movie Day will start again in October. Will be on the 1st Tuesday of every month at 1:00 PM. Free Popcorn. Will be seen in the Conference Room.

OFFICE REPORT: Carol S. noted that things are going well and everyone is working well together. A question came up would hours be expanding? It was shared that if they are, there would need more staff to help.

MEDIA SPECIALIST: Connie J. is continuing to add new ideas and events to the Newsletter. She suggested that maybe there should be a class on how to get on Next Door. She will still be sending out the Email Newsletters.

COMMENTS/CONCERNS: The annual meeting is coming up next month. Ballots and a notice of an annual meeting will need to be made up. The meeting will take place in the dining room. A donation by the board was given to Trinity Church in condolences to Todd Fisk's Dad and the center received a nice Thank You from the church.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Betty S. and seconded by Connie K. to adjourn the meeting at 10:58 AM. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Reyer, Secretary