

MEETING MINUTES  
FARMINGTON AREA COMMISSION ON AGING  
MAY 22, 2018  
WILLIAM COSTICK CENTER  
28600 ELEVEN MILE ROAD  
FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN

CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON NANCY COOK AT 5:30

MEMBERS PRESENT: MARY BUCHAN, LAURA CHAMPAGNE, CARL CHRISTOPH, CHUCK COLLINS, NANCY COOK, DAN FANTORE, JANE FROST, COLLEEN KASHAWLIC, LINDA LEE, KATHERINE MARSHALL, JULIE MCCOWAN, MARIAN SCHULTE, KARINA WEGLARZ

MEMBERS ABSENT: CARL CHRISTOPH

OTHERS PRESENT: MARSHA KOET, SENIOR DIVISION LIAISON

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- Motion by C. Collins
- Support by L. Champagne
- Motion to approve as published.
- Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 24 MINUTES :

- Motion by C. Kashawlic
- Support by C. Collins
- Motion to approve as published.
- Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Communications, Promotions, Website:

- Date for library presentations about community garden is incorrect.

Education:

- Planning to offer two programs: a fall presentation by the Attorney General's office regarding home health care and group homes, a spring presentation differentiating independent living, assisted living, memory care and skilled nursing care. Costs and insurance provisions will also be covered.

City Council Report:

- C. Christoph spoke to the Farmington Hills City Council on Tuesday, May 14, 2018 about the COA's accomplishments for the 2017-2018 year. Council member Rich complimented the COA on the brochure that outlined the year. It was done by J. Frost.

Community for a Lifetime:

- Kudos to D. Fantore for sending a link to an NPR program regarding financial exploitation of seniors.
- J. Mc Cowan has contacted the Farmington Hills Chief of Police about police awareness and involvement in financial exploitation of seniors. Wayne County has dedicated judges to handle these situations, but Oakland County does not. Some discussion of what COA could do about this oversight.
- C. Kashawlic offer a questionnaire that is useful in helping seniors share their financial situation with family members.
- Community Garden: all time slots for volunteering at the Farmer's Market have been filled.

Resource Directory:

- K. Kashawlic has completed editing of the directory, and she will send it to N. Cook. It will then go to the webmaster for indexing. Money for ads will be collected and given to M.Koet.

Volunteer Recognition:

- This committee is inactive.

Senior Division Report:

- M. Koet invited members to the May 24<sup>th</sup> Health and Fitness Day
- Shredding is scheduled for June 5,
- Art on the Grand is June 2 and June 3. The senior division has a table for information and selling cookies.
- Members are encouraged to complete the Parks and Rec. survey.

Old Business:

- The June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at Longacre House. A count of attendees was taken.
- Ellen Schnackel, Director of Special Services, will speak at the June meeting. Members are urged to share ideas about Harrison High with her.

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New Business:

Members are encouraged to meet with those in their sub-committees during the summer months. This is the ideal time to set goals for the 2018-2019 year.

Ambassador Reports:

- Children, Youth and Family: N. Cook and M. Buchan attended the May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. COA will work with this commission on a Spring, 2019 presentation on caregiving.
- Older Michiganians” Day: M. Buchan attended May 23 gathering in Lansing. Sponsored by AAA1B, the goals of this group include obtaining funding for seniors to age in place.

Public Comment:

- Visitor Katrina Scalf introduced herself to the group and told about her work at the Costick Center.
- Members shared their qualifications for COA.

Adjournment:

- Meeting adjourned at 6:40.      Next meeting is Tuesday, June 26, at the Longacre House.

Minutes prepared by Mary Buchan, secretary