

MEETING MINUTES  
FARMINGTON AREA COMMISSION ON AGING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2019  
COSTICK CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM  
28600 WEST ELEVEN MILE ROAD  
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48336

CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON LAURA CHAMPAGNE AT 5:30.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MARY BUCHAN, LAURA CHAMPAGNE, CARL CHRISTOPH, JANE FROST, DAN FANTORE, COLLEEN IRWIN, LINDA LEE, KATHERINE MARSHALL, MARIAN SCHULTE, KARINA WEGLARZ.

MEMBERS ABSENT: CHUCK COLLINS, NANCY COOK, JULIE MCCOWEN

OTHERS PRESENT: MARSHA KOET, SENIOR DIVISION LIASION; LAURAN BRYAN, ELSMAR HOME HEALTH CARE.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

- Marsha Koet stated that item 4 should read: approval of June 25, 2019 meeting minutes.
- Motion by Jane Frost to approve as corrected.
- Support by Laura Champagne.
- Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 25, 2019 MEETING MINUTES:

- Motion by Jane Frost to approve as written.
- Support by Karina Weglarz.
- Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMUNICATIONS, PROMOTIONS WEBSITE:

- M. Schulte reported that statistical information on use of website will be coming soon.

EDUCATION:

- K. Weglarz presented the following information regarding "Caregiver Workshop: A Journey Through Caregiving". It will be held on Tuesday, October 15 at 7pm in Shannon Hall. Speakers are Diane Beri, Kevin Shycerski and Janice Roble. C. Irwin will moderate the discussion. Questions will be answered after the presentations. Cards with useful phone numbers and handouts will be distributed. C. Irwin will provide notepaper and pens for participants. Refreshments will be provided by the Costick Center. M. Schulte has done a PSA about this program, and it is currently running on cable TV.

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### COMMUNITY FOR A LIFETIME:

- J. Frost reported that members of this sub- committee have met and are getting started on specific projects. They studied the application for “Community for a Lifetime” designation more thoroughly. Ten areas must be covered by the group.
- Contact with city council members, Chamber members and others will be pursued to garner support for this project.

### VOLUNTEER BREAKFAST:

- Date for 2020 breakfast is April 2. Members are asked to think about nominees for awards.

### SENIOR LIAISON REPORT:

- M. Koet asked for volunteers to set up tables for the November 13 Thanksgiving Dinner.
- AAAIB is spearheading a drive to encourage seniors who spend the winter away from Michigan to register as Michigan residents during the 2020 census.
- Stars and Stripes ceremony is November 8, 2019.
- The Later Day Saints will have a clothing distribution on October 18. The church is located on Thirteen Mile, west of Farmington Road.
- Memory Café for dementia patients and their caregivers had a successful first meeting. The next event is scheduled for October 9 at 1pm in Conway Hall.
- September 26 there is a program on legal information for caregivers at the Costick Center.

### ADULT RESOURCE DIRECTORY:

- M. Buchan asked members of the COA to look over the entries in the directory and let the committee know if there are entries that should be added or omitted.

### OLD BUSINESS:

### NEW BUSINESS:

- C. Christoph asked that the group consider a later starting time for meetings. No action was taken.

### AMBASSADOR REPORTS:

- Parks and Rec. member C. Christoph spoke about the September 23 ground breaking ceremony for “The Hawk” a new community center. It was well attended. Plans are phenomenal. There will be some interesting rental opportunities for residents.
- C. Irwin invited COA members to a September 26 presentation at the Groves Walker Building on Grand River. It will present reasons to engage and hire veterans and ways to accomplish these. It is being sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.
- L. Lee distributed gift certificates for Massage Luxe.

### ADJOURNMENT :

- Meeting adjourned at 6:23.

- Next meeting is Tuesday, October 22

Minutes prepared by Mary Buchan, Secretary