

Danvers Council on Aging
Board of Directors Meeting

May 16, 2019

Present: Don Gates, Barbara Remon, Geri Cosgrove, Bob King, Marge Leonard, Joe Palmer, Larry Chisholm, David Mills & Pam Parkinson

Excused: John Keohane

The board welcomed new member David Mills.

Minutes of April 25, 2019 were reviewed. Joe Palmer moved to accept the minutes. Geri Cosgrove seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Fiscal Update:

The March and April fiscal updates were reviewed. Joe Palmer asked what the expenses were from March to April in the program revolving account fund. Pam said the increase was from paying class instructors.

Old Business:

The Supportive Day program averages thirteen clients per day and is completely self-supported. Pam gave David some background information about the program such as the fee to attend is \$45 per day for 6 hours. The fee includes breakfast, lunch & snack in addition to transportation which is available for Danvers Residence. David asked if the program uses government benefits for payment. Pam said no. We do have the Pillsbury Grant that helps Danvers residents pay their bill and some people are private pay.

The Men's Club is doing great. We have two more meetings until the summer break.

We had 90+ seniors attend our Volunteer Party. The party was catered by Fresh Food Catering who took over the Wenham Tea House. They donated their time. The food was great.

Friends of the DCOA Report:

Pam met with the FDCOA Board yesterday. She gave David background about the Friends Board. Pam is trying to get transportation fundraising through the FDCOA board. They only do a membership drive once a year for the senior center. John Keohane, who attended the last meeting, suggested to Pam that the FDCOA board could supplement \$1 for every ride given. This money would then go into the transportation revolving account. The board has decided to have a smaller group meeting in June to go over the transportation program. Pam said the DCOA members are invited to the meeting. Pam said she would let directors know the date and time of the June meeting.

David asked who owns the vans. Pam said we do. Pam applies for a grant from MarTap and they pay 80% for the van and the town has paid 20% in previous years. The FDCOA board has also paid 20% in previous years. David asked if we are connected in any way with The Ride. Pam said we are not. To use the ride, people need to be approved with the Ride. They also cost more and their pickup and drop off windows are up to two hours. They also have multiple stops.

Director's Report:

Pam gave the board the following revenue on the café program: \$9,559 Collected + \$1,653 Miscellaneous Collected (people who pay \$3 for \$2.25 and say keep the change) totals \$11,212. Less costs of \$4,436 bring a net profit of \$6,776. Pam said each meal a Danvers resident purchases for \$2.25 is then subsidized an additional \$3.00 through the Pillsbury Grant totaling \$5.25 per person. We have an intern from Framingham State College who is interning 200 hours with us over the summer. She will be helping in the kitchen with the café program.

New Business:

The Family Festival will be held on 7/2/19 with the support of the Kiwanis group. This year's menu will be hamburgers, hotdogs, homemade baked beans and possibly ice-cream sundae for dessert. We generally have 125-135 attend this program annually.

Joe Palmer reminded staff that we need to have a vote for new officers added to the agenda for the June meeting.

Participants Meeting:

There was no report available

North Shore Elder Services:

Marge reported that NSES will merge with Merrimack Valley on 7/1/19.

Barbara Remon motioned to adjourn meeting. Geri Cosgrove seconded the motion all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 3:57pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 27th at 3pm.

Submitted by:

Larry Chisholm, Secretary