# Hanover Township Senior Center Activity Room Meeting of the Senior Citizens' Services Committee Monday, March 14, 2022 – 1:00 P.M.

## • Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairperson Naomi called the meeting to order at 1:00p.m.

Roll call: Carla Fruhauf, Larry Bretz, Walter Gramiak, Peggy Bucaro, Naomi Walters-Lenoci, Lynn Nelles, Tom Lathara – all present

Guests: Megan Conway, Diana Gomez, Marilyn Perry, Dino Kazeos

# Reports

• Chairperson's Report

• Treasurer's Report

Starting balance: \$63,838 Ending balance: \$70,521

Motion made to accept: Larry; seconded by Peggy – all ayes

# • Trustee Liaison's Report

Craig Essick unable to attend due to family emergency. Megan advised that Tuesday (3/22) would be the Township Budget meeting for 2023 budget. The Annual Meeting will be 4/12 and Board Meeting will be 4/19. She did mention that the additional Township property is on the agenda for Village Board Meeting. The property is partially in Bartlett village borders and partially in unincorporated area. This will need to be approved for annexation to Bartlett. The property would need to be hooked up to village sewer and water systems. Township is in bid process to be ready to go when all approved.

# • Director's Report

The Café returned to in house dining on 3/1—everyone is so excited to be together with their friends and enjoying the meals prepared by the kitchen staff! Kudos to Linda Kay for curating an exhibit with the Arts in Bartlett—several of our students were highlighted.

Moving along—the first day trip in two years was to Drury Lane for Evita - 20 people attended. There will be more day trips in the coming months.

Two Home Care Assistants were recently hired: Karen Watson Goddard and Kara Wells. After their training is complete, we will have more capacity for assistance to those in need. The Township recently recognized staff with annual awards: Frances Domingo (Social Services) was honored with the Trish Simon Core Award; James Kramer (Community Health) was awarded the Rookie Award; and Rick Nelson (Facilities) was awarded the Excellence in Service Award – congratulations and thank you to all!

Megan will be on vacation (well-deserved!) and then a conference and will miss our next meeting.

The annual "thank you" luncheon for volunteers will be on 4/19 @ The Seville.

Thanks to all who assisted with the Paczki Fundraiser—great event! Profit was \$333.52! Also, thanks to Marilyn and her team for the number of meals served – She said she would like to add a 7<sup>th</sup> route once there are enough drivers---has a waitlist for those who would like to receive meals.

Megan handed out the Gift Shop Deposits for the year—she will update to indicate in a particular month if there was a special event (special sale, food truck event etc.) to explain when sales jump substantially.

#### **Unfinished Business**

Café Cruisin' – Briana's Pancake House- Naomi is waiting to find out the total and will advise.

Paczki Day fundraiser – great success! 762 were sold- Net profit \$333.52. Thanks to Carla for her work on finding a supplier (Meijer) since due to supply issues several other stores could not supply for our event. Carla said Meijer was great to work with and would entertain helping next year. It was felt that using the slips of paper with names and choices was very helpful in preparing the orders. Thanks to all who helped! It was also discussed that we should order maybe 2 dozen extra for "day of" purchases—perhaps charge a little bit more for these—since we are open more than in past Paczki Days it was felt that these would sell. Marilyn also advised that she would want to raise the number she usually orders for HDMs.

## **New Business**

Approval of minutes from 2/14/22 meeting- Peggy advised one change—she should be marked as absent from meeting. Motion made to accept amended minutes by Larry; seconded by Carla- all ayes- Peggy abstained. Peggy thanked Thomas for filling in for February meeting.

Recognition for staff: Dino Kazeos is the recipient this month. A big thanks for his assistance during the large fire in Bartlett—provided warming buses for the firefighters.

Increase in Vending Machines costs—Megan gave a wonderful presentation regarding various costs for our products. It was discussed at length and decided to make all items \$1.00 – this is easy to re-program the machine. It will also make it easier for change and no more rolling quarters! Motion made to change costs to \$1.00 by Larry; seconded by Walter-all ayes. Megan will take care of the program change to the machine effective the next day. Marilyn will also price out these items from her suppliers—could be added to her usual order.

We discussed the process for scholarship/social services request. For Social Services requests –max per year is \$250 for any client. Our Committee (2 members) would receive a redacted request for privacy to discuss the request and either approve or deny. Social Services caseworker will review paperwork prior to submission.

For Scholarship—again a redacted request would be submitted. A person can only request 1 x a year up to \$50 cap. There was a discussion on how to make sure people are aware of this program—add information to the registration form; educate staff to make people aware of this option and that the information is confidential. Megan will revamp the proposed process for the April meeting. The money goes directly to the travel activity and not to the person requesting the funds.

# Upcoming fundraisers:

Gift Shoppe –March special – Collectibles. Also anything over \$4 is ½ off. April will be picture frames, Easter décor and paintings. Gift shoppe is doing well now that we are open!

Café Cruisin' - My Cucina on May 12<sup>th</sup> – from 11 am-8pm.

Eli's Cheesecake Fundraiser- Carla will find out costs and advise. NOTE: July 30<sup>th</sup> is National Cheesecake Day. We will discuss at next meeting.

### **Other Business**

None

## Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn by Larry; seconded by Walter—all ayes

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Bucaro, Secretary Hanover Township Senior Advisory Committee