

Hanover Township Senior Center
Multi-purpose Room
Meeting of the Senior Citizens' Services Committee
Monday, July 11, 2022 – 1:00 P.M.

- **Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chairman Larry Bretz called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Roll call: Carla Fruhauf, Larry Bretz, Walter Gramiak, Peggy Bucaro, Lynn Nelles, Naomi Walters-Lenoci - Present.

Absent: Tom Lathara

Guests: Megan Conway, Diana Gomez, Lisa Perrone, Dino Kazeos, Celeste Smith, Mishka Parasher, Peggy Reinhardt, Micky Randle

- **Pledge of Allegiance**

- **Public Comment**

Megan advised that Celeste Smith and Intern Mishka Parasher are here to take some photos to update those that we have been using in Township publications.

- **Reports**

- **Chairperson's Report**

Larry commented that for the most part people are very happy with what we are doing here at the Township.

Larry presented a certificate and gift card to Tim Aspy from the Transportation Department for recognition of outstanding service. Thank you, Tim!

Naomi mentioned that there is something wrong with the popcorn machine—hard time working with it. Megan will check on the warranty and programming will look at the machine. Perhaps it's time for a new one—depending on the issue.

- **Treasurer's Report**

Carla shared the monthly report ending May- starting balance \$71,700; ending balance \$73,751. Motion made to accept by Peggy; seconded by Naomi- all agreed. Tom absent.

Naomi mentioned that there is an additional \$431 not reflected on report—this money is from recent restaurant fundraisers at My Cucina and 120 Live—both well attended. We appreciate their support.

O'Hare's Pub is the next Restaurant Fundraiser—7/12 and 7/13.

- **Trustee Liaison's Report**

Megan reported that Izaak Walton which will house the Youth Center is finally ready!

Ribbon cutting is 8/6 @ 9 a.m. There are activities for all ages including summer camp.

- **Director's Report**

Megan advised that the Mental Health Board conducted a site visit of the Senior Center to meet with staff and learn more about funded programs. The Board supports many of the services with generous donations for in-home care, transportation, home delivered meals and senior therapy. They were very impressed with what they saw at the Center.

Megan advised that Hanover Landing now has all the funding to break ground—it will be about 1 year to completion and will have 40 units—5 of which will be funded by the Mental Health Board.

There was a discussion about costs- Naomi suggested raising the bus fare from \$1 to \$2 due to increased gas costs. Megan and Dino advised that we do get the fuel through the Village of Hanover Park so there is a savings over the pump price. It is voluntary if someone would like to pay additional money above the \$1 cost. Megan will check with James Barr about absorbing the cost. The same question can be raised about the \$4 charge for a meal. There is no change at this time in either cost to residents.

Megan shared the list of school supplies that would be through the Food Pantry – back packs for sure are needed.

Megan also mentioned that the Home Care program is going well—the full time staff are trained –they have had 185 hours direct care a month! 20 clients are enrolled. Great job!

- **Unfinished Business**

Eli's cheesecake fundraiser-7/25! Deadline is Friday—right now 122 signed up!! Have to be firm with deadline—difficult for Carla to keep calling and changing the numbers. Will need helpers 8:30/9:00 a.m. on 25th to get everything ready. Great job, Carla!!

- **New Business**

Approval of Meeting Minutes 6/13/22—one change by Naomi page 10 – Evansdale should be Avondale—amended minutes motion made by Naomi; seconded by Peggy – all approved. Tom absent.

It was decided that Rick Nelson would be the recipient for August for Outstanding staff. —Motion made by Naomi; seconded by Peggy – all agreed. Tom absent.

There was a long discussion on registration/waitlists for day trips. People can sign up and don't have to pay until a certain date that is advised for each trip. We are experiencing long waitlists—and when payment is due some people on the main list decide not to attend and the waitlist people may have other plans—and we incur ticket costs as tickets are purchased based on number of attendees. One suggestion is that instead of a “robo call” advising time to pay if a staff member/volunteer can personally call a few days prior to the deadline—are you still attending? Money is due on xx . Waitlist people are then called and their money is due right away. Megan mentioned that perhaps scholarship money can be offered if they are short at that time. No refunds if spot is not filled is another option. This is the same issue with some classes—especially when we have to pay an instructor/speaker for the class. For some classes or special events—maybe allow (if possible) people to pay at the door—but the cost may be a few dollars more for last minute. Several options to think about and discuss later. It was suggested to put a paragraph in upcoming Club 59 Newsletter reminding people of the policy for paying for trips/classes.

The next fundraiser will be Apple Cider Donuts – we don't have costs yet to determine the cost for participants. Carla expressed her displeasure with offering a discount to the Café for home delivered meals for fundraiser projects.

- **Other Business**

Round table Discussion:

Dino- will get a price list for options for winter coats for bus drivers

Mickey Randle- would like oil painting

Peggy Reinhardt- button up the waitlist timeline

Diana – waitlist for paying payment

Lisa- work on registration/payments

Lynn- would like oil painting class

Naomi- registration desk is very busy for events using the bus-tight times- people like social time (Lisa explained that the various waivers take time—will check into it)

Walter- attended the Meet & Greet—thought Dino should be there and also advise info about car services that might be available. Walter also advised about website HistoricAttractions.com for additional ideas for trips.

Carla- made her comment about discounts

Peggy- advised that the Pyramid House in Wadsworth is now open—had a fire previously.

Megan – Clue movie—suggested there be a snack “monkey brains”.

General comments were made that with new staff—the movie selection is so much better!!!

- **Adjournment**

Motion made to adjourn by Naomi, Seconded by Lynn – all agreed. Tom absent.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Bucaro, Vice Chairperson
Hanover Township Senior Advisory Committee