



**Hanover Township Senior Center  
Technology Lab  
Meeting of the Senior Citizens' Services Committee  
Monday, February 13, 2023 – 1:00 PM**

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Larry Bretz at 1:00 PM on Monday, February 13, 2023  
The roll call was conducted by Tom Lathara, Secretary.

- Present: Naomi Walters-Lenoci, Larry Bretz, Walter Gramiak, Lynn Nelles, Tom Lathara.
- Absent: Craig Essick, Peggy Bucaro.
- Present (Aging Services Team): Megan Conway, Diane Gomez, Linda Kay
- Public: Karen Budnik, Kathleen Keesler
- Pledge of Allegiance: Chairperson Larry Bretz led the pledge of allegiance recitation.

**Public Comments:**

Larry welcomed guests and encouraged everyone to ask questions any time.

**Reports**

- **Chairperson's Report**

Chairperson expressed his desire to do more fundraising events in addition to the gift shop. He also appreciated the well-organized Valentine Day party, with excellent food and entertainment.

- **Treasurer's Report**

**Monthly report ending September 2022**

Lynn Nelles presented the monthly report ending December 2022.

Income - \$18,798.67;      Expense - \$12,728.42

Net Income - 5,570.25.

This accounts for 75% of the fiscal year.

A motion was moved to approve the treasurer's report as presented by Naomi Walters-Lenoci seconded by Walter Gramiak.

All the members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.

- **Trustee Liaison's Report**

Trustee Liaison Craig Essick, was unable to attend.

- **Director's Report**

Director Megan Conway presented the report.

- Tax Aide - Social services began scheduling appointments for the AARP foundation Tax-Aide Program on January 23. The program provides free income tax filing for low to moderate-income earners. The program is entirely staffed by volunteers and will offer service on Mondays and Wednesdays from February 9 to April 10.
- St Patrick's Day - The Party is planned for March 16, 11:00 am 2:00 pm. Multiple food choices will be available.

- A new Home Care Coordinator, Sarece Mitchell joined on January 17. She is a Certified Nursing Assistant, who has significant experience providing personal care to older adults.
- Enrichment programming conducted several enjoyable day trips and launched the Improv group. The Improv group will meet Friday mornings and plan to hold a live performance in June.
- The AgeOptions audit, conducted every three years, is now scheduled for February 21 -23.
- A new staff member Manny Carrillo joined the Nutrition team. The team also added Mimi Wise as a substitute Nutrition Assistant. To ensure adequate staffing levels during other's absence.

### Unfinished Business

- Upcoming Fundraiser events
  - Cafe Cruisin' : Briana's Pancake House February 14
  - Cafe Cruisin' : TL's Four Seasons March 15
  - Cafe Cruisin' : O'Hare Pub April 18
  - Cafe Cruisin' : Marco 's Pizza April
- Paczki Day Fundraiser  
Approximately, 800 units were sold.

### New Business

- Approval of Budget workshop on January 9  
A motion was moved to approve the Budget for workshop on January 9, 2023, by Naomi Walters-Lenoci and seconded by Lynn Nelles. All the members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.
- Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of January 9  
Chairperson Larry Bretz presented the last meeting minutes for discussion and approval. A motion was moved to approve the January 9, 2023, regular meeting minutes by Naomi Walters-Lenoci and seconded by Walter Gramiak. All the members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.

### Other Business

- **Cricut Machine Purchase:** A proposal to purchase Cricut Machine for Arts and craft class was presented by Linda Kay, Visual Arts Instructor.  
A motion was moved to approve a budget amount not exceeding \$500 for the above purchase by Naomi Walters-Lenoci and seconded by Lynn Nelles.  
All the members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.
- **Hanover Township Supervisor's 2023 Community Service Award :**  
In recognition of the exceptional service rendered by Cherry Stoddard of AARP Foundation Tax Aide, a strong recommendation letter to be forwarded to the township. A motion was moved to submit the above recommendation letter to Hanover Township by Naomi Walters-Lenoci and seconded by Lynn Nelles. All the members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.

### Round Table:

Chairperson Larry Bretz introduced a round table event, where every attendee is given an opportunity to make a recommendation.

**Tom:** Consider including inter-generational events, where seniors can interact with younger persons where both can participate in joint efforts and enjoy the synergy.

**Karen:** Can we include a few financial education classes, particularly focusing on Stock market and other investment vehicles. She also urged to find more avenues to publicize the service offerings and volunteer opportunities.

**Diane:** Allow older adults to practice their craft to let their creativity blossom when Cricut Machine is available.

**Kathleen :** Encourage seniors to volunteer at appropriate opportunities, like Feed My Starving Children. Arranging to and from transport to such a location will be a good idea. Consider giving more publicity of

the services via local church bulletin boards and potentially via public service announcements at local TV stations.

**Lynn:** Get the word out on the senior service center activities.

**Naomi:** Thank you everyone who helped out with the Paczki sale, especially Megan Conway for her assistance in transporting the boxes to the Senior Service center.

**Megan:** The vacancy in the committee needs to be filled.

**Walter:** Improv Group meets every 2nd Friday of the month. A few skits are in the workshop. Show is expected on June 9th 10:00 am

There was no other business on the agenda to transact.

A motion was moved to adjourn the meeting by Naomi Walters-Lenoci seconded by Walter Gramiak. All the members voted 'Ayes'. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned by 2:30 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 13, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Thomas Lathara,**

**Secretary**

**Hanover Township Senior Citizen's Services Committe**