



MINUTES
WEST ALLIS COMMISSION ON AGING MEETING
Monday, June 24, 2013 4:00 P.M.
West Allis Senior Center
7001 West National Avenue, West Allis, WI 53214
302-8700

West Allis Commission on Aging Mission Statement

“The West Allis Commission on Aging shall provide leadership in creating and maintaining a comprehensive coordinated community-based support system that enhances the quality of life of older adults in the City of West Allis.”

MEMBERS PRESENT: Patricia Wikenhauser, Acting Chairperson
Judith Schmidt
Margee Maydak
Deborah Tiegs
William Green

STAFF PRESENT: Jane Kolinski
Sally Nusslock
Peggy Pipia

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED: Terry Kelly
Bekki Schmitt
Terry Tauschmann

STAFF EXCUSED: Denise Koenig
Marilyn Matter

1. Public Invited to Speak.
2. Review Agenda. The Agenda was reviewed.
3. Approval of the Minutes for Monday, March 25, 2013, minutes were reviewed and approved.
4. Correspondence and/or Communications
 - Milwaukee County Department on Aging – Advocacy Committee Agenda & Minutes
 - Milwaukee County Department on Aging – Committee & Council Meeting Schedule
 - Milwaukee County Department on Aging – Agenda and Minutes
 - Milwaukee County Department on Aging – Executive Committee Agenda and Minutes

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- Letter from Milwaukee HOME Consortium.

5. Report on Community Projects

a. Stockbox Program Update

Jane Kolinski reported that 104 participants are currently registered in the program and 88 Stockboxes were distributed in June. Hunger Task Force currently has a waiting list for new applicants.

b. Network News Articles for the City Newsletter

Jane Kolinski reported that the city newsletter was collated by senior center volunteers and was sent out for citywide distribution in June.

c. Lilac Bus Program Update

No Report.

d. Interfaith West Central & Resource Center

Patricia Wikenhauser commented that Interfaith held their summer picnic at Mary Queen of Heaven. The event had beautiful weather and was well attended.

6. Report on the Community Development Block Grants

a. Senior Center Services Projects – S.A.F.E Directories/Computer Literacy

Safebooks: Jane Kolinski reported that the majority of the 2013 Safebooks have been distributed. Additional books are still available.

Computer Literacy: Jane Kolinski reported that the computer lab is open Mondays 9:30AM – 11:00AM, Noon – 2:00PM and Wednesdays Noon-2:00PM. The center is still seeking a volunteer computer instructor.

Senior Center Improvements Projects – Current Projects

Jane Kolinski reported that the door entrance projects are still open and we are waiting the release of project funds. Further details will be presented as they become available.

Senior Government Day – Tuesday, August 20, 2013, Jane Kolinski reported that a sub-committee is working on this year's event. Further details will be presented to the Commission as they become available.

7. Staff Report

Senior Center Activities and Statistics

- Jane Kolinski reviewed several Senior Center events.
- Proddy Rug Demonstration – Thursday, May 23, 2013
- AED/CPR Class – Thursday, May 23, 2013
- West Allis A La Carte – Sunday, June 2, 2013
- Current membership is 435.
- Royal Community Baby Shower – Tuesday, June 4, 2013 event proceeds were donated to the West Allis Health Department ‘Storks Nest Program’. Co-sponsors – Heritage Senior Living, The Landmark of West Allis, Home Instead Senior Care and West Allis Women’s Club
- Tours and Adventures –Betty Lou Yacht Cruise Luncheon, Monday, June 10, 2013.
- SENIORFEST – Wednesday, June 12, 2013
- Young At Heart Chorus Concert – Friday, June 14, 2013
- Construction Notice; we have received notice that the Senior Center’s air conditioning unit will be replaced some time during the month of June.

Discussion of recognition for recently retired Commissioners

Jane Kolinski presented information on commemorative gifts as an idea to honor the recently retired Commissioners. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by Margee Maydak and seconded by Judy Schmidt to purchase an outdoor bench with a commemorative plaque honoring Fred Kuolt for his years of service and to purchase individual gifts for the “retired” commissioners with funds from the Trust Account, not to exceed \$1,000.00. Further discussion ensued. The motion passed without objection.

Update on Combination soda/snack machine.

Jane Kolinski reported that the vending machine was sold on Craig’s List for the original used purchase price. The new vending machine is in the process of being installed.

Discussion of wall mounted television for Creativity Room.

Jane Kolinski initiated conversation with the Commission regarding usage of the Creativity Room. The commission agreed that many groups would benefit from having a 70 inch Smart Television in the room. The primary use would be for training purposes. A motion was made by William Green to purchase a 70 inch Flat Screen Smart Television and necessary equipment (best brands possible) for use in the Creativity Room with funds from the Bazaar Account not to exceed \$2,500.00. The motion was seconded by Deborah Tiegs. Discussion ensued. The motion passed without objection.

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Discussion of Treadmill Replacement

Jane Kolinski advised the Commission that the Precore Treadmill is on its final run. Parts are no longer available. In the future, the Commission will need to address purchasing a replacement. At this time, information is for advisement purposes only.

Trust Fund Report (Quarterly)

- 1st quarter January – March – report presented at April meeting
- 2nd quarter April – June – report presented at July meeting
- 3rd quarter July-September – report presented at October meeting
- 4th quarter October-December – report presented at January meeting

No Report.

8. Discussion of items for July 22, 2013, meeting agenda.

Next meeting will be held on Monday, July 22, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

- Discussion of MySeniorCenter software Program and System
- Discussion of Commission on Aging summer month meetings

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Kolinski

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