

Beaverton Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee - Minutes

Tuesday, October 11, 2011, 2:30 p.m.

Beaverton City Hall

First Floor Conference Room

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Members Present: Judith Auslander, Cathy Leong, Helen Robinson, Gail Miller, Liz Fischer, William (Bill) Johnson, Gloria Nussbaum, Laura Isaacson

Elsie Stuhr Representative and Committee Member: Laurel Reilly

Staff Liaison: Jim Brooks

Council Liaison: Cathy Stanton

Members excused absent: Aaron Poarch

Visitors: Ena Morgan, Caren Wilson, Disability Committee Member

Approval of May 2011 Minutes: Minutes were approved. Jim and Gail announced that Minnie Stumbaugh has resigned from the committee. We wish Minnie well.

Veterans Seminar Recap: Laura attended a We Honor Veterans seminar on hospice and veterans and gave the committee a recap of the topics discussed around end of life care for veterans. Currently, 28% of all deaths are veterans and should be eligible for the following three types of benefits: Health, Aid & Attendance and Burial. Every patient has the right to choose their hospice program, and although the programs get the same funding they can be very different.

Laura and Liz will be working on a joint community outreach project that may receive Federal funds. Someone from the VA will be speaking at our November meeting.

Health and Wellness Fair at Elsie Stuhr Center, October 1, 2011: Laurel read a report from Ann Satterfield regarding the event, which had 450 attendees and made a profit of \$6,294.24. The parfaits were delicious! We had a good response to our re-written survey and will have information/results at the November meeting. We were not successful in getting buses to lower income facilities, but Laurel noted that some residents from Holly Tree did attend the Fair. Judith commented on an increase in interest about the SNAP program.

Gail thanked the committee members for attending the event.

Forum Update: Bill and Helen attended a seminar put on by Diane Childs, Financial Information Outreach Coordinator, Oregon Division of Finance and Corporate Securities, regarding Financial Fraud Prevention. Consensus from the committee was to ask Diane to speak at a Forum in February on Senior Finances. Bill suggested that Katrina Rodriguez of the Beaverton Police also speak about current frauds/scams from the police's point of view.

Jim has reserved the Library Conference Rooms for the following dates:

- February 25 for a Financial Forum
- June 23 for a forum on Aging in Place
- October 13 for a Medicare/Medicaid forum

Beaverton Business Directory: Cathy Leong wrote the BSCAC article for November. The following committee members will prepare a 250 word article for the Beaverton Business Directory:

December	Laura, Dealing with Greif at the Holidays
January	Helen & Bill, February Financial Forum
February	Judith, Aging with Wisdom

Suggestions for upcoming meeting presentations by committee members: AARP, Elders in Action, Store to Door, Ombudsman, Oregon Helps, Mental Illness issues for Seniors presented by someone from Tualatin Geriatric Psychiatry; Sondra Hedges of Sage Management; RSVP of Beaverton; Seniors & People with Disabilities – Washington County; Alzheimer’s Association Support Group regarding Facilitators to run meetings.

Update from Cathy Stanton: Cathy Stanton reports that she is feeling better after some medical issues. She recently attended the League of Oregon Cities Conference in Bend where the focus was on emergency awareness. She stressed the need to take care of yourself first in any emergency as the public agencies will be overwhelmed.

Upcoming Events:

10/17	Farming to Square, Tualatin, “Virtual Dementia”
10/17	Document shredding at Tektronix Campus
10/20	Interfaith Disabilities Fair
10/22	Community Action Fair, Hillsboro, 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
10/22	Soup’s On! Oregon Food Bank event, at Sisters of St. Mary
10/22	Voter’s Forum for November election
11/2011	Election to replace Wu and vote on two bonds
11/18	Family Caregivers Conference, WA County Dept. of Aging & Veterans Svs. Tuality Health, 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
11/20	Interfaith Thanksgiving, 5:30 p.m., Hillsboro Mormon Church
1/27/2012	Salvation Army, Project Homeless Connect, Sonrise Church (Cathy Stanton encourages us to have a booth there)

Election of New Committee Officers: Please send an e-mail to Jim if you are interested in one of the following positions: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary. Jim will then send out a list of those interested and we will vote by e-mail.

New Board Nominations: Please send notice to Jim by e-mail if you are interested in being on the nominating committee. There are currently two opening on the committee.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.