



Beaverton Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee – Minutes

Tuesday April 14, 2015

Beaverton City Hall at the Round

The meeting was called to order at 2:30.

The following members were present: Judith Auslander, Cathy Doyle, Helen Robinson, Regina Ford, Jeff Menzel, Will Anderson, Jo Anne Bauman, Sky Johnson, and Laurel Reilly.

Council Liaison: Cate Arnold

Absent Members: Peggy Gordon and Beverlee Ryan and Staff Liaison Jim Brooks

The minutes of the March, 2015 meeting were approved by a motion, a second and by majority vote.

Our guest speaker was Shawn Mitchell, Executive Director of Catalyst Partnership NW. The contact information for this valuable organization is phone (971) 245-6555 or office@catalystnw.org. This group is a non-profit, community based organization which helps bring useful resources and caring volunteers to meet the repair, maintenance and remodeling needs of under-resourced people in our community and others in the Portland area. They operate solely from charitable contributions. They realize that our neighborhoods are full of people who could benefit from helping hands whether they might be elderly and or disabled, low income families, or people facing financial or other life changing hardships. This group was started in 2007 with a few families and individuals who wanted to make a difference in the lives of people who needed assistance with home repairs due to physical or financial limitations. The group now has many volunteers who are guided by a licensed general contractor. They work in partnership with many businesses in the area.

Will Anderson volunteered to be our new recording secretary as our current secretary, Judith Auslander, has resigned. In addition, Beverlee Ryan has resigned. Therefore we have two openings on our committee and we have until April 21 to fill the openings. Otherwise we will wait until the fall application process.

The following are the future speakers:

May – AARP representative for Age Friendly Citie

June – 211

July – Tuality geriatric-psychiatric

August – United Homecare Services

Resource Guide Contributions:

May – photos from the Fun Fair and thank you list of contributors- Regina

June – Aging in Place – Regina

The committee did a mini recap of the Fun Fair held on April 11, 2015. A more extensive review was held at a gathering after the meeting. 250 programs were printed and we ran out at the event. We estimated that over 300 people attended. It was suggested that if we do this event again that we have one room for entertainment and one other room for the vendors. WE also need to consider having two dressing rooms (one male and one female).

Cate Arnold reported that the council's review of the boards and commissions and the bylaws is delayed due to other priorities. Cate did agree that our desire to make a name change for our committee should be a priority over the bylaws change. Our name was discussed and a suggestion was made to change the name to Beaverton Advisory Council on Aging. Cate will research to see if we must use the word advisory. WE also had a discussion concerning the time of our meeting. Some feel that an evening time would be better due to members who work.

Regina reported that Viva Village held a successful garden show. Thirty to forty people are active in Viva Village and there are over 200 applications to belong

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2015 at 2:30 in the Beaverton City Hall at the Round, Columbia Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurel Reilly