

**Beaverton Committee on Aging**  
Summary of Monthly Meeting  
Tuesday March 14, 2017

**Welcome and Introductions:** Chair Sky Johnson called the meeting to order at 2:32 pm.

**Guests:** Kathe Fradkin with Viva Village, Minnie Stommbaugh (community member) Hillary Greenebaum (community member)

**Approval of the February Minutes:** Approved as submitted

**Visitor Comment Period:** Kathe Fradkin with Viva Village commented on the success of the Active Aging Forum and offered kudos to the committee.

**Announcements:** Pam Rinehart lead a discussion on House Bill 2661 regarding Senior Living Referral Agencies.

**Forum Discussion:** Review and Wrap-Up: 74 surveys were filled out and turned in at the event. The surveys indicated many of the attendees were interested in the Road Scholar and Viva village tables. Some of the topics requested for future events were; changes in lifestyle as you age with your partner or family, transitioning, financial changes, transportation, multicultural and medical help. Some of the things that we will add to next year are more signage, more PR/marketing, consider putting the BCOA table in front. Speakers may not be needed for this format. The next forum may need a separate PR/Marketing group. Overall the event was a success and will probably be repeated next year.

The drawing was held for the winner of the “Beaverton Basket” from the event. Sky Johnson will contact the winner.

**Guest Speaker:** Kathe Fradkin: Viva Village is a branch of a non-profit organization that helps provide services to enable seniors to stay in their home. There are over 200 villages in the US. There are seven other villages in the Portland area. The Beaverton Viva Village serves the Beaverton City limits and the unincorporated areas in the Beaverton area. They began providing services in October of 2016. The vendor list of professional services is limited to service providers who come to the home. The ongoing marketing and partnerships have helped the Village meet all end of year goals. They had about 50 volunteers at the end of the 2016. For full services membership the cost is \$540 per year and associate memberships are \$300 per single person, additional memberships can be added on at a reduced rate. There are scholarships to assist with membership fees for people who qualify. 2017 will focus on intergenerational community, more cultural diversity and more expand more to the non-senior market.

**Event with BCOA and Viva Village:** The Village would like to partner with the BCOA on their upcoming event, The Gift of Caring featuring Marci Houle, the author of The Gift of Caring. The book is also features a section written by Elizabeth Eckstrom of OHSU. The event will be

at 1:00pm on May 6th at Valley Catholic, off of 148th and Murray. The BCOA would be involved in the event to help with printing of materials. Viva Village will be having a planning meeting to look at the number of volunteers needed at the event. Sky Johnson and Suzanne VanSlyke will attend and Bev Sali will be the back-up for Sky if she cannot attend.

**Attendance:** Sky Johnson, Shannon Wiseman, Cathy Doyle, Beverly Sali, Suzanne VanSlyke, Jeff Menzel, Jessica Brzuskiewicz, Louis Weisberg, Jo Anne Baumann, Pam Rinehart

**Not in Attendance:** Mark Fagin

**Adjourn:** 4:00pm