

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Aug 10, 2021

TIME: 3:00 PM

LOCATION: Online ZOOM Meeting

Welcome and Introductions

Meeting called to order at 3:07 PM by Sophie McDuffey (Vice Chair). Meeting is being recorded. Recording is available at <https://www.beavertonoregon.gov/bcoa>

BCOA Members in Attendance:

Carley Adams (City Staff Liaison), Sunita Garg (Secretary), Sophie McDuffey (Vice Chair), John Ratliff, Suzan Turley, and Neil Jain. Beverly Sali

ABSENT: Martha McJacobs (Chair), Jing Feng, Jamie Levin, Alexis Steele, Councilor Allison Tivnon.

Public Participation Visitor Comment Period

1. Ramona Crocker – Resident of Beaverton, and has been an active volunteer for 5 years at VIVA Village. She is also in the governing council of VIVA Village as a volunteer. No new comments presented.
2. Paul Zulak, Occupational Therapist, formerly worked for 16 years at St. Vincent, currently on call at Marquis Piedmont of N. Portland. He has been Productive aging special liaison for OT association of Oregon for 12 years running, also Associate liaison for Emergent practice and special interest. His interests are Productive aging and doing (and is also looking for) speaking engagements on this topic. No new comments presented.
3. Beth Gilbert from the Beaverton City Library.

Review and Approval of July Minutes

Suzan, Beverley and all approved the minutes

Beth Gilbert from the Library spoke about the Beaverton city Library. It has the two branches - Main Branch (opened 7 days a week) and Murray and Scholls Branch (open 5 days a week). Hours and services have been expanded. Printing and copying is free. Masks are mandatory. Further information can be found at <https://www.beavertonlibrary.org/>.

Some of the services for the older adults are:

- Large print book collections.
- Audio books on CD on playaways.
- Adaptive work station, with larger font keyboards.
- Provide earbuds for free to hear audible books. These are new and given away.
- Library of things that allows members to check out things like Board games, pots and pans, musical instruments, various devices you may want to try out. List of things can be found on the websites.

- Kanopy movie streaming service is available.
- Books can be checked on the Libby app.
- If you can't drive, materials can be mailed to you. Requires application.

Subcommittee updates:

BCOA Liaison educator speaker committee reported on which organizations they were going to look into. Sunita - AVID and Stand for Children. John Ratliff is looking into the Bicycle Advisory Committee and Nature and Trails committee. Paul is looking into Jesse F Richardson Foundation and Age Plus. Beverly Sali looked into the Federal Congressional committee. Suzanne is looking into AARP and Home Fit.

Honoring the Seniors committee - Sophie provided the update she summarized and compiled into one document which will be presented to the group for voting. Some of the Nomination criteria

For award: Age qualification and residency qualification.

Award categories - one or many - some suggestions ageless award, exceptional award, pioneer award, marathon award etc.

Recruitment for the award

How to celebrate and award the Actual award winner, and should we also have awards for nominated seniors.

Councilor Allison Tivnon's update presented by Carley:

- First in-person City Council roundtable be on Tuesday, August 24, discussing Policing in Beaverton, ARPA package, and this meeting is the new City Manager's first meeting.

City Liaison Carley Adams's update:

- Beaverton Night Market is on Aug 13th and 14th - see details - <https://www.beavertonoregon.gov/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/8201> . Friday is cancelled due to heat.
- Signup is available to get alerts for Emergency preparedness. <https://www.beavertonoregon.gov/list.aspx> (scroll down to about middle of page)

Sunita presented the idea of having Washington County Commissioner Chair Kathryn Harrington to give a talk on what the county does for seniors. Idea was agreed by others. Sunita to check on that.

Groups went into separate zoom rooms to discuss the sub-committee topics.

BCOA Liaison, Education and Speaker SubCommittee August 9, 2021 Minutes

Subcommittee members are Sunita, Paul, John, Susan and Bev.

Members discussed and updated information on the following organizations they are connecting with:

John: Beaverton Bicycle Committee and the Natures and Trails Committee - he is in contact with Bruce.

Paul: Age Plus and Jessie Richardson Foundation - in process and will be the same contact person.

Sunita: Stand for Children (Danika is contact person) and Avid - These are organizations that the 55+ can volunteer to 'give back to the community.'

Suzan: AARP including Home Fit (a Program of AARP) - Suzan is very involved with AARP and is the contact person at this time.

Bev: US Federal Congressional Committees making decisions involving age 55+ - difficult to make contact at this time as they not in session and when they are the docket is overwhelming. Will continue to contact Congressional staff members to get information.

Tasks and agenda items for next meeting were discussed.

Our next meeting agenda is:

- 1) review, discuss and complete a profile of information on the organizations each of us have selected;
- 2) discuss potential presentations for BCOA meetings and determine if and what recommendations will be made to full Committee;
- 3) other items from Subcommittee members.

Sophie presented for the Honoring Older Adults Committee:

Sophie to provide sub committee minutes. See separate document

Sophie moved to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned @ 4: 16 PM > Next Meeting Sep 14, 2021 at 3:00 PM