

Senior Millage Allocation Committee
Friday May 1st, 2015 8:00 a.m.
Forks Senior Center
101 North Albion Street, Albion, MI 49224

MINUTES

Call to Order/Roll Call: Jim Haadsma at 8:06 a.m. and roll call

Roll Call Attending: Rod Auton, Jill Booth, Shirley Clutter, Jim Haadsma, Art Kale, Dianne (Willy) Kalnins, Joanne Konkle, Ralph Moore, Jim Powers, Carla Reynolds and Willie Tabb via-teleconference

Absent Excused: Mike Bearman

Staff: Carl Gibson, Rodna Stealy and Lora Stevens

Visitors: Linda Grap, Director for Senior Health Partners; Bev Bentley, Arlene Bolton, Michiele Ogilbee and Tom Hollowood FSC Board Presidents, and Tom Hunsdorfer Interim Director and several FSC volunteers and members.

Agenda –Moore and Konkle: Motion, Second and Approved - *Motion Carried*

Minutes for April 3, 2014 - Kalnins and Moore: Motion, Second and Approved - *Motion Carried*

Citizens Comments: None

Report: Contract Spending

❖ Discussion

- AAA has not billed us for any Nutrition/meal services this year yet.
- Gibson will be meeting with Community Health Care Connections – Samantha Pearl is stepping down as Director in later May and BarbTravis will be the new Director.

Motion: *Approval of Contract Spending Report – Powers and Tabb: Motion, Second and Approved - *Motion Carried**

Old Business:

- Senior Health Fair
 - ✓ Over 500 participants and 80 Vendors.
 - ✓ Great comments and the fair was well attended.

New Business:

Forks Senior Center (FSC) – Michiele Ogilbee, Tom Hollowood and Tom Hunsdorfer

- FSC meeting held and conclusion they need help with administration and requesting additional funding to cover a full time director position.
- AAA can add a service with the State to cover senior center supports. May is the yearly review period to have it approved in their budget at the state level.
- Ogilbee and Hunsdorfer reported: Currently FSC has 356 members over the age of 60 and growing. Just hired a part time position to cover nights and weekends to keep the center open longer for members—primarily fitness center use.
- Hollowood - Center over the past 9 to 10 months has grown considerably. He appreciates the collective knowledge that the SMAC offers the Center.

- Ogilbee - FSC is a service organization and social service to seniors on the east side of the County. Discussion at the next FSC Board meeting to amend the by-laws adding that you must be 60 and over and grandfather in anyone that is a current member under 60 years of age. Discuss about the health department moving to Dobbins Medical Center in May and who might fill the spaces in the building.
- Gibson - commented on limiting access to the building as people have been working out on the equipment who are not FSC members.
- Hunsdorfer – additional funds are welcome and they need more direct institutional structure to run the center. Most people here are retired and older and the people in Albion are passionate about this center and want to see it grow.
- Gibson – The County is the largest financial support for FSC at \$35,000 a year for the current 3-year contract. The Center does not have the funds to hire a new full-time director; the County can also support as advisor at this time. Recommendation is to participate with the Strategy Exploration Time outlined by AAA. This brings the FSC, Senior Services and AAA to work collaboratively in the next 12-18 months, and assist with the \$20,000 funds requested by FSC for the rest of this year.
- Auton – request to have a viable candidate from SMAC to be on their Board. Also we have Senior Health Partners in our group that would be a great resource with 5 partners, not just AA and SS to support administratively with the FSC.
- Konkle – Albion really needs this center, she supports the extra \$20,000 funds to the center, believing the County might be a good fit with the FSC.
- Clutter –The tax payers want to see where their millage money is going; a Marshall Senior Center is also needed. She supports the extra \$20,000 funds to the Forks Center. Kale, Powers, Moore and Haadsma concur.
- Gibson - if Senior Services takes on this expanded administrative support for the FSC, it would set a precedent for longer term support and acknowledging the importance of senior centers as resource centers for County funded services.

Motion:

- 1) *Approve the amount not to exceed \$20,000 to support the hiring of the FSC Director, through the current period ending December 31, 2015. This supplements the Senior Center Support and Staffing funding that is currently in place, and is to be matched by the AAA funds it has approved.*
- 2) *Approve SMAC’s ex-officio member (to be designated) and up to 2 additional SMAC members and the Senior Services Director to the Strategy Exploration Team.*
- 3) *Approve the funding with the condition that the ex-officio position becomes a voting member of the FSC Board when its by-laws come into agreement for the change.*

Auton and Konkle: Motion, Second and Approved - *Motion Carried*

Centenarian Luncheon:

- Stevens – June 23rd at Noon – Schuler’s Restaurant
- All seniors turning 99 this year anytime are invited; lunches are free for them and a guest. Additional guest(s) are welcome for a nominal lunch fee.
- All SMAC members are invited to celebrate with the Centenarians.

Fund Balance Committee:

- Gibson - Meeting to be scheduled for later in May.
- Jim Powers, Willy Kalnins and Jill Booth will be on this sub-committee.
- Purpose to review any pending requests and develop plan to manage the fund.


Directors Report:

- MI Dept. of Health and Human Services new director is Nick Lyon, who lives in Marshall.
- Discussed the events/projects that the Senior Service staff will be attending in May.
- Meeting with vendors to go over what services that could be expanded for the fund balance committee to review.
- Gibson plans on becoming Marshall Chamber of Commerce individual member, since Senior Services is quite active with that local resource.
- Senior Health Partners -whole person wellness is requesting up to \$12, 000 for 4 additional rural whole person wellness sites based on needs and interest; Hickory Hills Village in Newton Township, Clarence Township, Maple Grove Apartments, Albion, and FSC, Albion and possibly more in Marshall outside of Marshall Apartments.
- Senior Health Partners (\$12,000) and Marlee Food Bank (\$1,824.00 for seniors needing food) mini grants are tabled until July SMAC meeting after Fund Balance Committee can review the grant applications.
- Tour of the Forks Senior Center immediately following adjournment.

Adjournment at 9:13 a.m. - Moore and Konkle: Motion, Second and Approved - Motion Carried

SMAC Meeting in June is canceled.

Next SMAC Board meeting – July 10th, Friday at 8:00 a.m. in the Garden Conference Room at the County Building, Marshall, MI

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