

Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (SCAC) Minutes

Tuesday, August 31, 2021

Present: Marti Galvin (chair), Henry Haslinger, Elisabeth Kevorkian, Frank Pearlman, Betty Timer (secretary), Becky Sutfin (City liaison), Silke Pope (Council liaison)

Absent: April Ashpes (excused), Cathy Brannan (resigned), Temitope Adeyeye (unexcused), Warren Wilcox (unexcused)

Guests: Carol Shaw

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 by chair, Marti Galvin. The agenda was approved (moved by Henry Haslinger and seconded by Frank Pearlman.) The minutes of the previous meeting were approved (moved by Henry Haslinger and seconded by Frank Pearlman.)

OLD BUSINESS:

Recruiting new members -There are three people who have asked to attend this meeting. Carol Shaw was in attendance. Mary Wade sent her regrets because she was unable to attend this meeting. Marisa Boone did not attend after being notified two previous times.

Update for Not For Seniors Only event on June 5. Betty reported the results of the SCAC responses. They were all very positive and the ZOOM event was well attended.

NEW BUSINESS:

GAIL update- September 16 is the next produce distribution. The last event was very successful. GALE is slowly getting back in gear with hopes to have in person attendance in the future. A Memory Café is being scheduled.

Open Forum Saturday, September 25 at 1:00- The planning session is included as a separate page.

Centenarian Celebration- There will be a Zoom work session with the Greenbelt City Council on Wednesday, September 8 at 8:00. Any SCAC member who would like to attend is asked to contact Becky. The results of our brainstorming are: During Older Americans Month on **May 13, 2022**,

Prince Georges County is sponsoring an annual celebration with invitations to 90+ and 100 year old's at Martin's Crosswinds in Greenbelt that includes: 2 take home meals, keepsakes, sponsor giveaways and proclamations.

If Greenbelt decides to sponsor a tribute:

How can we identify the 100-year old's in Greenbelt?

How many people would that include?

Should we include 90+ year old's in our celebration, also?

What are possible gifts? Flowers, candy, tea shirts, a mother and child statue

A birthday greeting should be sent to the individuals.

A plaque in the senior lounge could list the 100-year-old names.

Should we designate a day of commemoration for them? One suggestion was the 100th day of the year.

Will there be any money allocated for this endeavor?

Elections of SCAC officers will be at the next meeting. The officers are chair, chair elect, and secretary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Becky told us that the Community Center is trying to open in person classes in the fall. More information will follow.

A motion to adjourn (moved by Henry Haslinger and seconded by Elisabeth Kevorkian.)

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Timer

Secretary

The next meeting is at 3:30pm on September 28, 2021

