

Center 50+ Advisory Commission
Tuesday, January 7, 2020 – Minutes

ATTENDING MEMBERS: Alise Liepnieks, Allen Jakobitz, Billie Larson, John Hughes, Jon Deming, Nancy Ross, Rebekah Smith, Sandy Kinney,
Staff: Marilyn Daily-Blair, Christiana Kennelly

OPENING EXERCISES: At 9:00 AM the meeting was opened by C50+ Director, Marilyn Daily-Blair and roll call was taken.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Agenda for this meeting was unanimously approved; motion by Sandy Kinney, seconded by Jon Deming.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes for the December 3rd meeting were unanimously approved; motion by Sandy Kinney, seconded by Nancy Ross.

PUBLIC COMMENT – N/A; one observer from the public was present, with no official comment.

ACTION ITEMS – Election of 2020 officers. Rebekah Smith as 2020 President and Alise Liepnieks, as Vice President voted in, without opposition; motion by Sandy Kinney and seconded by Nancy Ross.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Center 50+ Director

- Director Daily reviewed the Center 50+ Report. The Center is mission focused and utilizes 4 strategic goals to guide Center operations and future growth. The goals are: Stability & Vitality, Senior Leadership, Cutting Edge Programming and Collaboration.
- Bonnie Katich reported on the Life Long Learning educational programs; new classes starting up with the winter session; highlighting the upcoming Gratitude Class.
- Kanoe Barth, of the Fitness Program shared recent survey results: 76% of patrons had improved balance; also reporting an increase in attendance, new fitness classes and a New Year's Fitness Challenge.
- Salem Health partner Jon Deming was asked for an update regarding the hospital. Salem Health will be experiencing major construction; Bldg. C will be offering a valet service while the parking garage is closed. The project will be adding approximately one hundred-fifty beds.

Friends Fundraising – Friends Board President Nancy Ross reported. Cup of Joe table hosts and hostesses are needed for Saturday, January 25th. Friends also has a trip fair, Sat. January 11th, and a St. Patrick’s Day bingo fundraising event planned for March 20, 2020.

Intergenerational Work Group – Allen Jakobitz reports that more volunteers are needed for this group.

Age Friendly Action Team – The discussion surrounds affordable and accessible housing for seniors. The meeting is January 30th at 1pm, Center 50+.

Announcements

- Director Daily dispersed the Cup of Joe mini flyer to the commission, which takes place on Jan 25th, 2020; an annual event that reenergizes contributions and encourages the fostering of new friendships. The Respite Program is in transition; Kay Whitney and Evelyn Osterman have agreed to manage the program until a new coordinator is hired.
- Alicia Blalock offered recommendations from the Revenue Task Force
 - 1) A new Operating Fee; \$8 p/month with a qualifying rate relief for low income.
 - 2) Payroll Tax; considered by voters in May 2020.
- Alise Liepnieks of the Alzheimer’s Association announced her recent promotion, reminding the Commission the agency is available at the time of diagnosis and can assist with alleviating the impact of the news for both caregiver and the person with the diagnosis.

ADJOURNMENT—10:29 a.m.