

POMFRET SENIOR ADVOCATE COMMISSION

Minutes Date: October 16, 2013

Pomfret Senior Center

Present/Members: Sue LaRose, Judy Miller, Cathy Grant, Liz Cartier

Present/Alternates: Gail McElroy

Absent: Rita Conrad, Ann Hinchman

Citizen Attendance: 9

Meeting Called To Order: 7:00pm

Alternate(s) Seated: Gail McElroy

Guest – Tim Grills, Director of Nutrition Services from TVCCA spoke regarding Community Café/Bistro programs

Meeting Minutes from September 18, 2013: Accepted as presented.

Citizen Participation: Sybil Williams – There is a luncheon on November 20th at Matulaitis. Free and Bus service provided from the Pomfret Senior Center. Sign up is on the board.

John Carter – Would like permission to donate 10 \$1 coupons from the Bingo fund for prizes at an event at Ellis Tech. Motion made by Sue and seconded by Cathy to approve use of 10 \$1 coupons from the Bingo fund for prizes at an event at Ellis Tech. Motion passed.

Jeannette Sullivan – presented info on a country duo that performed at the Woodstock Academy Fall Fling. She questioned whether the Senior Center has an adequate First Aid Kit. We do have one. Sally Johnson had donated some of the First Aid supplies. Jeanette presented an idea for “Free Coffee” sign outside the Senior Center.

Monique Caron-Krug – stated that it takes a long time for the water in the kitchen to become “hot”.

Garry Brown – spoke in favor of the Senior Fitness Class. It is well attended and should be used to bring new people to the center. He also stated that the ice cream in the chest freezer needs to be removed. He will need the space for the Food Pantry as Thanksgiving gets closer. He was given permission to dispose of the ice cream as he sees fit.

Gene Gerum – spoke in favor of the Senior Fitness Class.

Additions to Agenda: Liz asked that discussion on new procedure for collecting money for events be added.

The new procedure involves writing a receipt for all cash that is collected. The receipt will be signed by the recipient and initialed by a second person. Checks shall be written to the appropriate vendor.

Secretary Report: One email from Bonnie Duncan was read. Motion was made by Cathy and seconded by Liz to accept the Secretary's report. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Motion made by Judy and seconded by Cathy that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Program: Cathy gave overview of last Program committee meeting

Old Business: Thanksgiving Dinner Quotes – G-7, Deb's Place, Senior Food, Jessica Tuesday's:

Motion was made by Cathy and seconded by Gail to NOT have a Thanksgiving Dinner this year. Motion passed.

Brochures & Display for Senior Expo 11/5/13: Motion was made by Judy and seconded by Cathy that \$175 expenditure be approved for brochure printing. Motion passed.

Carpooling-Insurance Issues: Cathy stated that drivers would most likely be covered under their private policies.

New Business:

Nov 4th – Sue Larose – seniors want to do a tour of area sites on their own.

Trip to Wadsworth Antheneum – Festival of Trees & Traditions & Holiday Light Fantasia, in Hartford on Friday Dec. 6th: Motion was made by Gail and seconded by Judy that the cost of the van, parking, and entrance fee to Holiday Light Fantasia be paid with program money. Motion passed.

Glass Block Class - \$11 per person – Subsidize \$5 for Pomfret seniors: Motion made by Sue and seconded by Judy that the charge for this program be \$11 for non-Pomfret residents and \$6 for Pomfret residents. The \$5 discount will be limited to one block per person. Motion passed.

Christmas Party after TEEG Learn at Lunch – Cost and gift baskets/gift exchange: Gift baskets will be assembled by Sue and Judy using donations brought to the next PSAC meeting.

Trim a Tree on Dec 4th: Motion was made Cathy and seconded by Liz that \$25 be allotted for refreshments. Motion passed.

Continuation of Exercise Class for another eight week session – what to charge: Motion was made by Gail and seconded by Liz that there be a \$10 charge for the next 8 week session. Any balance due will be paid from the program budget. Motion passed.

Citizen Comments: None

Meeting Adjourned: 9:55 pm

Judy Miller

Secretary

Next Meeting: Wednesday November 20, 2013 at 7:00pm at the Senior Center

Next Program Committee meeting: Wednesday November 6 at 9:00am at Seely-Brown Village