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CATHY PARKER
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LINDA ROGERS
LARRY SAVAGE
FRANCINE SHOCKLEY
FRAN SMITH
HELEN SMITH

Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County

Conference Planning Subcommittee Meeting

August 19, 2019

A meeting of the Conference Planning Subcommittee of the Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County was held on Monday, August 19, 2019, at the Sussex County Administrative Offices West Complex, 22215 North DuPont Boulevard, Georgetown, Delaware. The following Subcommittee members were present:

Linda Forte
Antionette Johnson
Jamie Magee
Barbie McDaniel

Scott Phillips (Alternate)
Linda Rogers
Larry Savage
Will Childers

Call to Order

Jamie Magee, Subcommittee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

A Motion was made by Linda Rogers, seconded by Cathy Parker, to approve the Agenda as posted. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Approval of Minutes

A Motion was made by Linda Rogers, seconded by Larry Savage, to approve the minutes of July 15, 2019, as distributed. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Planning for Conference

- Jamie Magee spoke of the need for every member to be involved in the process of planning for the next conference, and reminded members that their mission as an Advisory Committee is to make needed information available to all seniors and those with disabilities in Sussex County. She stated the need for a secretary to take the Subcommittee meeting minutes and was unable to get a volunteer. Sommer Pritchett, a student at Wilmington University, was sent to the meeting on assignment to write a report about the Advisory Committee and graciously offered to take notes. The selection of a secretary was tabled until the September meeting.



- **Jamie Magee advised there are two vacancies for voting members on the Subcommittee (one Advisory Committee member and one community member). Helen Pase stated her interest in being involved.**

A Motion was made by Antionette Johnson, seconded by Linda Rogers, to appoint Helen Pase to the Conference Planning Subcommittee as an Advisory Committee representative. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

The second vacancy is for a community member, and Will Childers suggested Megan Sekscinski. The name of Megan Sekscinski was tabled until Mr. Childers can determine her interest, since he is working with her on another project.

- **Jamie Magee asked to have a confirmation vote to keep the Subcommittee at nine members, with two alternates.**

A Motion was made by Antionette Johnson, seconded by Linda Rogers, that the Conference Planning Subcommittee membership remain at nine members, with two alternates. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

- **Jamie Magee stated there has been some discussion as to whether to hold a conference every year or every other year. Before taking a vote, she asked for additional input and much discussion followed.**

Linda Rogers suggested frauds and scams as a conference topic since this is something that all seniors particularly need to be aware of. She has been involved in organizing this type of educational program and agreed to take the lead if it is decided to hold the conference on May 8, 2020.

The first vote on whether to hold the conference annually or biannually resulted in a tie, so further discussion took place.

After additional discussion, a Motion was made by Scott Phillips, seconded by Cathy Parker, to hold a conference annually. Motion Adopted by a unanimous show of hands.

Antionette Johnson will contact Kari Souder at Crossroad Community Church and confirm the date of May 8th for the 2020 conference.

- **Jamie Magee revisited the issue of unregistered walk-ins attending the conference. She reiterated that the mission of the Advisory Committee is to get information out to as many residents of Sussex County as possible, and after speaking with County Administrator Todd Lawson neither was in favor of turning anyone away. Kari Souder has assured the Subcommittee that Crossroad can accommodate any overage the conference may have and would never run out of food. In light of that**

fact and because there were only five or so people who did not pre-register this year, walk-ins will be permitted.

- **Will Childers asked to address the Subcommittee and advised that he previously sent an email regarding Senior Information Services (SIS), a group which he feels could increase meeting attendance and provide additional support. Several members of the Subcommittee also attend SIS meetings, so most everyone was aware of the organization and felt this was a good idea. Therefore, Mr. Childers will send a flier inviting SIS members to attend the September meeting.**

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Conference Planning Subcommittee will be held on Monday, September 16, 2019, at 11:30 a.m. at the Sussex County Administrative Offices West Complex, 22215 North DuPont Boulevard, in Georgetown.

Adjourn

A Motion was made by Linda Rogers, seconded by Barbie McDaniel, to adjourn at 11:50 a.m. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

**Jamie Magee, Chairperson
Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults
with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County**