

Council on Aging Minutes

Date: January 27, 2016

Members present: Stephanie Baker, Glenn Lloyd, Jim Pitts, Jerry Propst, Karen Robinson, Larry Berryhill, Maxine Childress, Kimberly Ramsey,

Excused: Cathy Pritchard, Donald Propst

Providers present: Tim Clark, Julia Port, R L Icard, Mike Queen, Roxane Powell, and Mary Wright

Also present: Tina Miller, Eleanor Summers

Call to Order: Karen Robinson at 2:00 PM.

Approval of minutes: A motion for the approval of the minutes of the November 17, 2015 meeting. Jim Pitts seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Program: No program

HCCBG Update: Tina Miller distributed the County Expenditure Report for December 2015. The extra county funds were allocated at the November meeting. \$5,258 was awarded to the Home Delivered Meals Program and \$5,259 was allocated to Level 3 In-Home Aide program. The December report reflects the reallocation of funds. Most agencies are on target with spending.

Old Business – None

New Business – The 2016 meeting schedule was distributed. RL Icard will schedule the conference room at the Burke Mission Station for March 23, 2016 meeting.

The NC Association of Aging is accepting nominations for 5 awards. Tina Miller will forward the specifics of these awards to Council members and providers. Karen Robinson read highlights of each award and encouraged nominations from our region. The awards will be made at the NC Area Agency on Aging conference in March. Nominations should be submitted to Tina Miller.

Agency Reports

WPCOG – Tina Miller reported: The WPCOG will most likely administer the public housing program in Hickory. They are developing a 4 year aging plan to be presented in February 8 at the coalition meeting. There is an event February 12 recognizing caregivers. The event is in Hickory. Mary Mitchell is coordinating this event.

Morganton Senior Center – Roxanne Powell reported: They have wrapped up the Medicare Part D sign up. Over 300 persons was served. Roxanne informed the council of several activities that will take place at the Morganton Senior Center including a new book club, jazz/tap/ballet dance instructions, and partnership with NC Services for the Blind for a mini series of workshops. The senior center is a voting site for the upcoming election in March. They are looking into starting a new route to replace loosing clients in November and December. The HDM program will participate in the March for Madness project week.

East Burke Senior Center – Roxanne Powell reported: Lots of people are being served thru the Second Harvest Food program. The floor plan for the new building is available for view. The anticipated move in date is 2017. The groundbreaking is scheduled for April 20, 2016 to be completed by May 2017. On February 27 the center will host a Pinto Bean supper fundraiser to

support the computers and much needed computer software. The goal is to raise \$1200.00 for this purpose.

DSS – Julia Port reported: Business is good. They had a successful review from the state and the AAA.

BRCA – Mary Wright reported: Mary gave an overview of the December activities. The average attendance at the site is 20.

AARP – Morganton – Larry Berryhill reported: The new president is Bud Ayers. Kristy Graff made a presentation about Options. Ronnie Thompson will speak on the state of the city at the next meeting.

AARP East Burke- Karen Robinson reported: The offices for the year will remain the same as last year. The next meeting is in March.

Catawba Valley Medical – Tim Clark reported: They had several reviews. The reports were good for all the reviews. They are preparing for their 3 year accreditation which is coming up soon. They will be moving money from level 1 to level 3 and will add a few people to the service.

Handicare – Mike Queen reported: They ran a little over budget in November and December however if people call for transportation they will provide the service. Their AAA monitoring went well.

East Burke Christian Ministries – Jim Pitts reported: The food last week did not come in. They are running low on food.

Foothills Service Project – RL Icard reported: They are running a bit under budget due to the weather. Their AA monitoring visit went well. They are opened a new Thrift store in Morganton in late January. They will not sale clothes because of the location. Salvage food and furnishings will be sold at this location. The Thrift store is located in the Burke Mission Station.

Senior Tarheel Legislature – Karen Robinson reported – The next meeting is March 17-18 I Chapel Hill.

Potential Council member Eleanor Summers attended the meeting and introduced herself to the Council.

Next Meeting:

Date: February 24, 2016

Time: 2:00 PM

Place: Morganton Senior Center

Minutes submitted by: Mary Wright