Saline County Aging Services Full Board Meeting January 27th, 2025, 1:00 PM Saline County Aging Services (Back Room)

Lorene called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken with 10 Community Representatives present and 2 new members, Jo Schachenmeyer and Barb Schwisow attended. Staff members present were Program Manager, Lori Moldenhauer and Outreach Coordinator, Madison Maly. County Commissioner, Stephanie Krivohlavek was also present.

Introductions

The board approved 3 new members, Jo Schachenmeyer, Barb Schwisow and Nancy Fulton. All members showed a raise of hands to approve the members and then introduced themselves. Jo Schachenmeyer and Barb Schwisow were present.

Approval of Minutes

The last board meeting was in April of 2024. The approval of the April minutes was emailed.

Financial Report/Budget/Grants

- Lori shared the grants that she has been working on.
- She submitted Share the Love, AARP, and Nebraska Blue grants.
- The grants will be used to purchase another NuStep machine and a program that helps seniors navigate social media.

OLD BUSINESS/ACTION LIST

- Medicare Open Enrollment:
 - We had approximately 15 remote days between Crete, DeWitt, Dorchester, and Friend.
 - Clients saved a lot of money, and we are grateful to add new clients yearly.
- Health Fair in October 2024:
 - Dental by Public Health Solutions, Blood Pressure Checks, Downtown Family Vision and Flu Shots were also given by Public Health Solutions.
- Senior Events
 - We had Les Lineman, Musical Hats, Polka Band, and Music Bingo come to Western & Wilber Care Center to present their talents.
 - Crazy Cookie Mom and Velvet Barn Candles joined us for craft days and each client got to take home their own candle and cookies.
- TOGO Meals
 - In November, we had a Thanksgiving TOGO meal. We served approx. 45 people.
 - o In January, we had a potato soup meal. We served 15 people.
- New Years Packages
 - o Throughout the year, we receive donations, and we purchase the ingredients to make some kind of meal.
 - These packages are delivered to low-income senior citizens in Saline County with the help of 3 church groups in the area.
- Meat Packages
 - Brandon Campbell has been very helpful to get us meat donations through Cold Storage.

NEW BUSINESS

- Upcoming Senior Events:
 - The upcoming events are found in our Monthly Newsletter.
- February
 - We plan to have a craft day making a door sign.
 - Les Lineman will join us for entertainment at the Wilber Care Center.
- March
 - Velvet Barn Candles will present her business at the Wilber Care Center and following the presentation she will join us for a craft at the office.
 - Carly Applegarth from Gage County Extension will come to Western for a program.
- April
 - Jill Busselman plans to speak about her mission trip to Africa at the Wilber Care Center.
 - Caring Friends in-home care is coming to Western to share their services that they offer in the area.
 - o Wilber Floral & Company will join us for a spring floral arrangement.
- May
 - Clowning Around from Lincoln will present balloon art at Wilber Care Center.
- Hispanic Outreach
 - The numbers have dropped a little during the cold months. Some Clients go south for the winter.
 - Usually, there is 25-30 clients that attend.
 - o Mayra is our new translator; she has been a great addition to our team.
- Activity Room addition
 - Lori shared that the building is enclosed now and what the addition will be used for.
- Melissa gave an update on the DeWitt Center.
 - They had a health fair that included 35 vendors.
 - "Evening with Friends" is a new meal they started once a month in the evening.
 They enjoy a meal and visiting.
 - Once a month they also do a breakfast at a new business, they have had a good turnout each time.
 - o They have been staying busy with programs craft days and meals.
 - DeWitt lost 18 seniors in 2024; they made bell ornaments in honor of each person.
- SCAT update
 - Been working on the biannual budget and waiting on new vehicles.
 - They got a used vehicle from a transit place that closed.
 - o They currently have 7 vehicles, with only 4 of them up and running.
 - The state is 5 months behind to pay them.
 - Currently, they are dealing with insurance not wanting to renew their policy unless they stop transporting young children in Crete.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 28th, 2025, at 12:30pm in the backroom of SCAS. We will provide pizza for lunch.