

Virtual Zoom Governing Council Meeting Notes

April 20, 2020

Present: Rae Coleman, Larry Brown, Kathy Brown, Karen McCune, Mike Conner, Barbara Bernstein, Vicky Sander, Carol Moynes, Janet Cruz

Recognition

- Neighborhood Connectors were recognized and appreciated for the work, the caring conversations and extra time they are taking each week to contact members.
- Volunteer drivers and errand runners were commended for their quick response to member requests.

Public Open Time

- Given that our GC meetings will be Zoom video calls until the Governor relaxes the social isolation restrictions, we want people to know that they are still welcome to join our meeting. It was decided that Kathy Brown will include directions on how to join the meeting in the next update.

Team Reports

Resource Development: Larry

- Mike reviewed the budget to actual document sent to Viva by Villages NW. Overall Viva is doing OK given the impact of the lack of events and limited services. Two take-aways from the discussion were that our village will need to
 - Look for new areas of revenue generation
 - Continue our membership recruitment when restrictions are lifted.
- City of Beaverton grant: Larry reported that the City of Beaverton will not be interviewing Viva since we are a known applicant to them. However, we were asked to complete an additional questionnaire which was completed and submitted. We should be notified in early June of the grant committee's decision.
- The Governing Council is in ongoing discussion about the best way for our village to make up for the cancelled events and services during the Covid-19 state shutdown. We will continue to gather the necessary information we need in order to determine any action.

Outreach/Publicity: Rae

- No new activity from the team
- Kathy Brown reported that the Beaverton Resource Guide has asked us to provide an article for one of their upcoming publications. The Tribute to Viva Village written by one of our members and published in April's Village Voice will be used.
- It was noted that we should continue to focus on the support we are giving our 105 members during the pandemic: Neighborhood Connections program

increasing their hours talking with members, volunteers grocery shopping, running errands and providing limited gardening.

Volunteers: Kathy B.

- Anne Dale from Villages Without Walls approached Viva to partner with them on supporting a grant application by a Pacific University Occupational Therapy student and Habitat for Humanity. After much discussion it was decided that our members are not the appropriate recipients. However, the Aging with Grace team is interested in working with Habitat for Humanity in some way. Rae will contact Anne Dale to discuss further.
- Kathy reported on two upcoming Zoom meetings offered by OABHI (Older Adult Behavioral Health Initiative) and OGA. Details are in the April Village Voice.
- Volunteer Happy Hour Zoom Meeting is Friday April 24th, 1 pm. Volunteers are asked to bring a favorite mug and share why it is important to them.
- Neighborhood Connectors currently report their hours in the monthly volunteer report. However, given the additional work they are doing, it was decided to ask them to send in their total hours each month so that we can use that information to report on the impact they are making with our members. Janet and Karen will coordinate this.

Membership: Rae

- No new updates

Data Management: Carol

- Donation page on the website is currently being worked on by Kathy Brown and Carol Moynes.
- No other updates

Events: Janet

- Book Club and Coffee Group will have their first Zoom meetings next week. Rae and Vickie (respectively) are reaching out to their groups to bolster attendance.
- Janet received information from Terry Cannon that Elsie Stuhr received word from the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District board that the center will remain closed until June 13th. It is a good indicator for Viva as to when we may be able to lift restrictions.

Leadership Team

- Larry reported that 12 personal Care Packages were delivered to members. The Care Packages were donated by a family trust and distributed through Villages NW. Members were appreciative of the gift.
- Rae reported on Aging with Grace progress. There will be two sessions: October 31 and November 7. The focus will be on the physical (how to) aspects of aging such as Downsizing, Making Changes in the Home (Retrofitting), Decluttering, Housing Transition. The planning committee is looking at possibly inviting vendors to pay for a table at the event. The emotional aspects that come with each of the topics would be addressed in the Age Cafes.

- Karen reported that the summer art fundraiser committee met and is excited to get to work on the event. The date is August 15 at Julie Schmidt's beautiful garden/farm. Artists are being recruited and the group is working on a name for the event. Anyone with ideas is welcome to send them to Karen McCune.
- Janet suggested that Kathy put a reminder in the next update about safety tips when going on a walk. More and more of us are going on walks during the quarantine and helpful tips would be welcomed.