

## Southwest Dane Outreach Board Meeting- July 14, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Pat Farrell at 5:50 pm. In attendance were Mary Ann Nelson, Charlotte Hefty, Lynn Forshaug, Pat Farrell, Dorothy Handrick and Mary Ann Hopp. Leona Syvrud was and Cecile McManus were absent. The minutes from the May 12, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Mary Ann N. made a motion to accept the minutes and Mary Ann H. seconded them.

Reviewing the April 2021 Financials, 24.16% of the Nutrition Budget was spent and 26.81 % of the Outreach/Case Management budget was spent. We should be at 33% for money spent for programs. Our assets at the Mound City Bank are at \$159,183.35 and our CD is at \$7,842.41. The Board discussed the plan for these assets and determined that this money would go towards our operating budget.

Amy H. and Lynn F. applied for a CDBG grant through Dane County, that would help offset the costs of new office space, meeting room and storage space for the Senior Center. The total amount applied for is \$132,000.00. The architect, Mark Schellpfeffer, Partner - CaS4 Architecture, LLC came to the Senior Center and did a tour and assessment of the space and later sent the floor plan.

The Board discussed the 2022 budget and looked over a summary of proposed increases for the six municipalities; with a 20% increase for 2022 and 2023 and 3% increases for 2024, 2025 and 2026. The Board discussed the possibility of a 10% increase for each municipality for the next five years. Lynn will check with Amy H. to see if she could join us for the next meeting and give us some insight for this and future budgets.

Dane County is wanting feedback and help from seniors by filling out an "Aging Survey". There will be paper copies and an online survey for seniors to fill out, on what new things they would like to see happen or changes made for current programs for seniors in Dane County. This survey was conducted in June and July. Results will be tallied and sent to all Focal Points.

Finks Café changed their day of serving the "My Meal My Way" from Wednesday to Tuesday from 11:00 am-1:00 pm. This day worked better for Eric, owner and chef at Finks Café.

July 1 was the reopening of our doors at the Senior Center. Congregate meals resumed along with an art class and "Ageless Grace, an exercise program associated with Tai Chi. Seven seniors attended the first meal. We were sending out around 50 home-delivered daily during the Pandemic. During the Pandemic, all seniors were eligible for home-delivered meals, since our doors were closed. The funding for the 2021 Nutrition program may be used up before the year is over, so the Area Agency on Aging of Dane County is urging seniors who were getting home delivered meals and can get out to join us at Senior Centers or at "My Meal My Way" restaurants for meals.

Mary Ann Nelson made a motion to close the meeting at 6:45 pm and Mary Ann Hopp seconded the motion.