# ADVISORY COUNCIL ON SERVICES FOR AGING AND ADULTS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

# May 7, 2019 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

# Modern Maturity Center 1121 Forrest Avenue, Dover, DE 19904

<b>Council Member</b>	Attendance	Staff	Attendance
Ken Bock	Present	Dava Newnam	Present
Carolyn Fredricks	Present	Melissa Smith	Present
Sheila Grant	Present	Cindy Mercer	Present
Evelyn Hayes	Present	Susan Bailey	Excused
Suzanne Howell	Excused	Theresa Ritter	Excused
Katie Macklin	Excused	Lindy Scott	Present
Robert Overmiller	Present		
LaVaida Owens-White	Present		
Mary Lee Phillips	Present		
Belinda Strickland	Present		
Abraham Velez	Present		
Maggie Webb	Present		
Jack Young	Excused		

<u>VACANT SEATS</u>: (1)-Aging Person/Caregiver – Kent County

(1)-Aging Person/Caregiver – Sussex County

## **Agenda**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Review of Minutes April 2, 2019
- III. Delaware Code Re: Chairperson Discussion (see attached code)
- IV. Director's Update
- V. Advocacy Committee
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business
- VIII. Roundtable
  - IX. Next Meeting: June 4, 2019
  - X. Adjourn

#### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by Carolyn Fredericks. Voice roll call was taken.

## II. Review of Minutes, April 2, 2019

A motion by Robert Overmiller to approve the minutes was accepted. LaVaida Owens-White seconded the motion.

# III. Delaware Code RE: Chairperson Discussion

The current chairperson, Carolyn Fredericks has served a two-year term. The next two year term will begin in September 2019. Nominations will be accepted.

## IV. Director's / Deputy Director's Update

Director Newnam and Deputy Director Smith shared a few divisional updates.

- Events
  - o Joint Legislative Oversight Sunset Committee Recommendations
    - Date: Monday, May 13, 2019
    - Location: Legislative Hall
    - Time: 6:00 PM
- Census
  - o Delaware Hospital for the Chronically Ill (DHCI): 109
  - o Governor Bacon: 49
- Meals on Wheels
  - o Meals on Wheels had their annual spring fundraiser which was successful. Everyone who attended or worked the events had a great time.
  - o The State of Delaware routinely supports the mission and goals of Meals on Wheels.
- CMP Civil monies program
  - O Delaware has a small pot of money that can be applied to through a grant
  - o DSAAPD was awarded \$440,000 which will be used for training staff on personcentered care in and out of the community
- Dementia Friendly Delaware
  - o A handout on Dementia Friendly Delaware was shared.
  - Dementia Friendly Delaware is part of the State Plan on Alzheimer's Disease. This is the last component of the Alzheimer's Disease State Plan.
  - O DSAAPD in partnership with Delaware State University and University of Delaware and the Alzheimer's Association Delaware Valley Chapter created the website, <a href="https://www.decard.org">www.decard.org</a>. This website provides valuable resources for those diagnosed, care givers and medical professionals. DECARD stands for Delaware Center for Alzheimer's and Related Dementias.
  - We are looking for non-traditional businesses to help be part of the effort.

### V. Advocacy Committee

No update provided.

#### VI. Old Business

No update provided.

#### VII. New Business

- Share the Care Act
  - o The amendment passed in the Senate 20-0.
  - o 13 co-sponsors are on the bill
  - o Schedule 2 and Schedule 4 medications are prohibited
  - Agencies who engage in Share the Care Act are to keep paper trails for auditing purposes
  - o AARP had live operators call people to engage in support of HB 27
- *House Bill 80*
  - o This act allows recipients to choose between a non-refundable credit of up to 20% of the value of the corresponding federal EITC or a refundable EITC credit of up to 4.5% of the value of the corresponding federal EITC to be applied again their Delaware Personal Income Taxes.
- House Bill 46
  - o House Bill 46 will allow for the creation of an attorney / client fund for those who have manufactured homes.
- House Bill 140
  - o House Bill 140 is the Death with Dignity Bill.

#### VIII. Roundtable

#### **KB-Updates**

- The Save the date flyer has upcoming events that Cheer is hosting
- La Red is now in the Long Neck Senior Center
- Milford Wellness Village Cheer will be providing nutrition services
- Hoping to get legislation passed to fund the new Cheer kitchen

## LVO- Health Observances

- May 29, 2019 is Senior Fitness Day
- May is trauma awareness month as well as Older American's Month

## BS- Lewes Transit Center open house

■ The open house for the Lewes Transit Center is scheduled for Monday, May 20, 2019

#### CF – Events

- May 22, 2019 Older American's Month event at Modern Maturity
  - o Requested Governor Carney to come and participate, have not heard from him
- Strategic plan revamping to include the 50-65 year old population
  - o Will open the pool up for swimming
  - o Hump Day will be rolling out on Wednesdays from 5-7 PM
  - o Looking to offer more to veterans
  - o Mileage reimbursement for drivers will no longer be given

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## **RO-** Legislators

- Reach out to your legislative aide to have your voice heard for any bill that may be of importance to you.
- Sessions are going past 7 PM

# SG- Medication pricing

Medication prices are outrageous. Prices need to be negotiated. If you notice a discrepancy, report it.

# IX. Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 4, 2019.

# X. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 11:16 am.

Respectfully submitted 5/30/19.