

Commission on Aging Meeting

Meeting Date: January 14, 2015

Start Time: 10:30 AM

Location: Distillery Building, Bollinger Room

Chairperson: Lorna Rice

Vice-Chair: Ed Leister

Topic	Discussion
	<i>Due to a heating issue at the Bureau of Aging & Disabilities the Commission on Aging & Disabilities held the meeting at the Citizen Services, Distillery Building, Bollinger Room.</i>
Attendance:	Oscar Baker, Kim Boucher, Karen Gauvin, Lorna Rice, Gary Kerns, Patty Whitson, Bob Coen, Jan Flora, Elizabeth MacDougall, Ed Leister, and Vivian Daly
Call to Order and Approval of Minutes – Lorna Rice	Lorna asked if anyone had any questions or comments regarding the December 2014 meeting minutes. The meeting start time, as of January 2015, will be 10:30 am. Lorna requested approval of the December minutes as submitted. Gary Kerns motioned 1 st and Jan Flora 2 nd for approval.
Citizen Services & Bureau of Aging and Disabilities – Patty Whitson	<p><u>Patty Whitson</u> – Maryland Access Point (MAP) funding will end as of 6/30/2015. Financially it is a large loss for the Bureau of Aging and Disabilities (BOAD). Gina Valentine will address this further at a future meeting.</p> <p>The Seniors on the Go Expo is Wednesday, April 8, 2015. Flyers are available to distribute throughout the community (contact Vivian or Patty Whitson for flyers). Advertising for vendors will be in the Carroll County Times on 1/19/2015.</p> <p>The Westminster Senior Center was closed 1/12, 1/13, 1/14/15 due to a boiler replacement. Closure on 1/14/15 was not Press Released. How are clients signed up for paid classes notified? A suggestion of an email from the instructor to those registered discussed.</p> <p>Vivian will send instructions for subscribing to County Press Releases via email.</p> <p>Mt. Airy Senior Center is interviewing for an Assistant Manager. Angie Walz is the current Manager of Mt. Airy.</p> <p>Meals Ready to Eat (MRE's) are available at the Centers for emergencies for those who need them.</p>
Commissioner Presentation	The date for the presentation to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) is scheduled for 2/5/2015 at 1:30 PM. A brief has been sent through email to all COAD members. Any changes to the BCC Brief must be sent to the Commissioners office. Please have changes to Vivian no later than 1/28/15.
Seniors on the Go Expo	The COAD has a booth assigned in the Bureau of Aging & Disabilities area of the Expo. Volunteers from the COAD are needed to setup and run the Expo booth. A signup sheet will be available at the February meeting. Funding availability for giveaways will be requested from Aging. Some items from the Expo are with Patty Whitson (poster). Photos will have to be taken of members at the February meeting. Depending on budget, giveaway items may be imprinted instead of fruit this year and a drawing for a free lunch at each of the Senior

	Centers will available.
Membership	<p>A new COAD applicant from Manchester, who is a Veteran, applied for the open vacancy for a Veterans Representative. The applicant was recommended by Jeff Collins, Veterans Coordinator for Carroll County. Review of the applicant's was discussed and voted as follows:</p> <p>Elizabeth MacDougall motioned 1st and Oscar Baker 2nd to approve to forward the applicant for a Veterans Representative to the BCC. All were unanimously in favor. The application will be sent to the BCC for appointment to the COAD.</p> <p>According to the Bylaws, Article IV, Appointment and Terms of Members, Section 6 "Members may be reappointed to one (1) successive term unless granted an exception by the County Commissioners". If the current COAD approves a former member to return to the board it is up to the BCC to approve that reappointment. Once applicants are approved by the COAD they must wait for the BCC's appointment of the applicant. It is unknown how long the process will take.</p> <p>In the future the COAD will start soliciting for new members in September.</p>
Old Business	<p>The Senior Inclusion Program (SIP) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been forwarded to the County Attorney for Legal Sufficiency and will be passed onto the State for approval. With the addition of SIP the COAD will need two new members representing SIP and a family member of a developmentally disabled person. SIP will recommend someone from SIP and can possibly recommend the family member, however, if anyone knows someone who can fill the family member piece, please send contact information to Vivian. Allied Agencies in the County will also be contacted for referrals to the board.</p> <p>The COAD Bylaws need to be updated/changed to reflect becoming the Governing Body of SIP. Other changes can be made and will be discussed in February. Once the changes are made an agreed upon by the COAD they must be forwarded to the BCC for approval.</p> <p>Aging In Place (AIP) – the MOU between McDaniel and the COAD was sent to Dr. Martin at McDaniel during the holiday break. Vivian will touch base with Dr. Martin for a status update.</p>
Next Meeting Date	Next meeting date is Wednesday, February 11, 2014 at 10:30 AM in the BOAD Library.