

Senior Advisory Committee  
**Meeting Minutes Thursday, May 19, 2016**  
2:30 pm, CA's Boardroom

**The meeting was called to order at approximately 2:30 pm.**

**Members/Liaisons present:**

Michelle Miller, Sharonlee Vogel, Courtney Barkley, Bernice Kish, Jean Salkeld, Kathryn Sunderman, Roger Chang, Paul Verchinski, Rusty Toler, Arleen Tate via conference call, and Dale Virginia Wasmus taking notes.

**Excused/Absent:** Mary McGraw, George Laniano

**Guests:** Patricia Dugan, CA's new "Older Adult Programs Coordinator". Michelle introduced Patty Dugan. Patty works 20 hours as Time Banking Manager and her new position is 20 hours per week.

**Approval of Agenda:** Agenda amended to include CA Membership Plan Outline under New Business.

Motion brought forward, seconded and approved.

**Approval of Minutes:** The meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

**New Business:**

**FY16 Annual Report and discussion:** After discussion, the committee voted to approve the report with changes to cross reference the items with the applicable recommendation from the Older Adult Plan.

**FY16/17 Discussion of recommendations for the CA Board on SAC Advisory Committee Charges**

The SAC voted and approved the following charges that will be sent to the CA Board for consideration and approval:

- Monitor and comment on the implementation of the Older Adult Plan.
- Visit various CA facilities and Village Community Centers to become more knowledgeable about the type of activities and opportunities offered for seniors and advocate for more classes and programs for seniors.
- Work towards representation from every village on the Senior Advisory Committee

**CA Membership Plan outline**

A document was discussed that Sharonlee Vogel provided to the SAC written by Owen Brown's Columbia Council Representative Andy Stack. The document explains the new membership structure.

20% of members are age 55 and above. The Board will vote on pricing for the membership options and a senior swim pass on May 26, 2016.

The SAC endorses a senior swim option with regard to the different membership types at CA.

### **Chair's Report:**

- Wine in the Woods is taking place this weekend.
- Farmers' markets opening.
- Phyllis Madachy, Director of Department of Citizen Services, is retiring at the end of August, 2016.
- Reminded the Committee issues and discussions they have should be brought forth to the SAC and discussed and not done by email so that it can be put in the official minutes.
- The SAC endorses a senior swim option with regard to the different membership types at CA.

### **Old Business:**

- Update on CA Membership changes were discussed under New Business.
- Michelle met with Starr Sowers, Phyllis Madachy, and Kevin Hefner from the Errikson School and all parties are still working on finalizing.
- There will be a Pickleball demonstration during the SAC meeting at Wilde Lake Tennis Club on Thursday, June 16, 2016.

### **Liaison Reports**

**Courtney Barkley – Office on Aging:** There were approximately 700 attendees at the WomanFest. Courtney thanked CA for being a sponsor. The 50+ Expo will be held on 10/31/16 due to the school calendar. The 2016 Annual Elder Abuse Awareness Conference will be held on Monday, June 20, 2016 from 8 am to 4 pm at APL Johns Hopkins Kossiakoff Center/11100 John Hopkins Rd., Laurel, MD 20723. Fliers were passed out at the meeting.

### **Michelle Miller – Columbia Association:**

- The CA Board has changed its structure to meeting the second Thursday of the month as a worksession of the Board. The 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday will be the CA Board meetings. The Board has eliminated the committee structure (Planning, Performance, and External Relations) and will meet as a Board in its entirety. The Advisory Committee's charters will amended to reflect this change.
- Dog Day Afternoon has been cancelled due to the weather and conditions of the dog park.
- Clyde's of Columbia will be hosting Thursday night happy hours on the Lakefront. Acoustic music on the Pavilion at 5 pm and live bands on the stage at 7 pm.

**Mary McGraw – The Village in Howard:** The membership for the Village in Howard continues to grow as we are half way through our second year. Have received a Community Foundation Grant to have Strategic Planning Sessions with a professional which we are now in the process of doing. The Village carpooling trips to DC are quite successful thanks to the efforts of John Eberhard. There will be a "Get to Know the Village" meeting on Thursday, June 2, 2016, 6:30 pm at the Miller Library.

### **Member Sharing:**

Kathryn Sunderman - Owen Brown: Who oversees nursing homes in Columbia? She has been hearing concerns from older nursing home residents. A representative from Howard County will come to the SAC to give a presentation.

Bernice Kish: Wilde Lake: Attended the 50+ luncheon on Friday, May 13, 2016 at The Hawthorn Center. The featured speaker was Barbara Kellner/Columbia Archives.

Jean Salkeld: At Large: There is now a new organization, Pickleball Association. There will be a meeting on Thursday, June 2, 2016 at YMCA on Route 103. The next SAC meeting on Thursday, June 16, 2016 will take place at the Wilde Lake Tennis Club for a pickleball demonstration.

Rusty Toler: At-Large: Seniors are concerned about the rising cost of the CA lien cap. Rusty suggested that Courtney present at a SAC meeting about nursing homes.

Paul Verchinski: Oakland Mills: Spoke about a Boccie Ball League that plays at Cedar Lane Park. There are seven teams with 28 to 35 players.

John Eberhard: At Large: Busy planning various carpooling trips through The Village in Howard. Upcoming trip on 6/3/16 is a trip to the National Gallery of Art and dinner with Deanna Bogart.

Meeting Schedule: The next SAC meeting will be held on Thursday, June 16, 2:30 pm at Wilde Lake Tennis Club.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:46 pm.