

COA/LCC Meeting

December 13, 2021 at 11AM

Lancaster Community Center - in person and via ZOOM

Attendees:

Alix Turner, Director

Members:

	Present	Absent
Judie Maclean	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Nicole Kanis – Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Deborah Ducharme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Linda Cutler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frank Macgrory	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ann Mazzola	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Others present:

Sheila Casey, Friends of Lancaster Seniors

David Bartlett, CSL

David James, Admin Asst

Mary Ann Cleary

Denise Hurley

Jeff Paster

Meeting was called to order at 11:15 by Nicole Kanis

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes of the November 15 meeting were approved without changes

Friends Updates: (Sheila Casey)

- \$26,107 in account as of November 30
- Pancakes: \$409 in, \$195 out
- Halloween: \$411 in, \$131 out
- Fourth Friday Lunch Group: \$120 out
- Donations: \$278 in
- Santa and Song Raffle: \$224 in

- Denise Hurley talked about a tasting event fundraiser for February 24, 2022. Sterling Street Brewery. \$20 pp includes tour, music, food. More details to follow.
- Also looking to have a sleigh ride at Cornerstone Ranch

Director's updates (Alix)

- Covid-19 update (Jeff Paster)
 - Clinics are continuing, both primary shots and boosters
 - Booster clinic today in Town Hall (all slots filled)
 - Lancaster at 55% immunized, lowest in the area
 - Worst group is 20-29 year olds, comprising 20% of population, but only 29% are vaccinated.
 - 30-49 year olds are 53% vaccinated
 - Seniors are doing great!
 - Positivity rate is, unfortunately, increasing
 - Omicron variant:
 - Much more transmissible
 - Not as virulent
- LCC/SC vacation coverage/hours
 - Still a problem for Alix.
 - David James will be taking a few days Christmas/New Year's week
 - Need coverage for pancake breakfast the 28th
 - Denise Hurley and David Bartlett offered to help
- PR/Marketing
 - "Crier" still being published; future in doubt
 - Denise Hurley is coordinating with SLCTV for promotional segments
- Budget Status
 - Due soon (January).
 - Town is requesting "level services"
 - David James and Alix to prepare initial budget request.
 - CSL position
 - Need to interview candidates
 - Should this be a full time person, or two part time people?
- Senior Tax Work-off Program
 - Need to push this in the January "Crier"
- Gardening Updates (Sheila) – no update
- Building Updates. Cleaning etc.
 - Still no heat in the gym
 - Estimates have, again (3rd or fourth time) been performed
 - Tai Chi and Strength classes moving to old Town Hall
 - Dishwasher will need to be replaced next year (\$8k-\$10k)
- Food service updates- MOC etc. (Alix)
 - Still no meals in house
- Programming

- Discussed possibility of a Senior Brunch at First Church in January, following a Sunday service. Board rejected the idea because of the COVID risk and logistics (time, people, facilities, etc.).
- “Cheers for the Holidays” will be delivering packages to 125 seniors in town! Generous support from townspeople.
- December 22 van trip to see “Lancaster Lights” (ticket donated) on the fairgrounds and around town.
- Grants (Alix)
 - Alix Turner is completing training for dementia support
 - Mental Health is becoming a big issue at this point in the pandemic
- Administrative
 - Size of the COA Board was discussed. At current max of nine members, which requires five for a quorum, it is difficult to get a quorum (with only six current members).
 - Moved, seconded, and passed to change the maximum number of COA Board members from nine to seven. Nicole Kanis to submit warrant article to town for a vote at the next Town Meeting.
- Liaisons or Subcommittee Review (all) – no report
- Winter planning – see Programming
- CSL update – no report
- Next meeting date – January 10, 11:00am

Meeting adjourned at 12:15pm

Respectfully submitted,



David R. James, Admin Assistant