

Minutes of the August 28, 2023 Senior Citizen Advisory Committee

The meeting was called to order by Polly Bijur at 5:00 PM

Present: Iris Dudman, Joyce DeVilbiss, Kate Washton, Marilyn Meese, Miriam Budin,
Paula Scheiber, Polly Bijur, Sandy Selikson, and Rafael Zaratzian.

1. The minutes of the July 24, 2023 meeting were approved.
2. We did not have the usual report from Anne Russak who was recovering from Covid.
3. Plans for the October 5 Open House were discussed.

Polly Bijur said the following materials will be available for each table: 4X6 bulletin board, clipboards, pens, one or more 6' tables. Susan Lopeman will help make signs.

Polly suggested organizing some of the tables by local and "other" locations, particularly the Volunteer table, Learning table and Resources/services table.

Learning Table: Sandy contacted the WCC and has a list of websites for people to sign up for activities.

A book club that Joyce is setting up, the current events group, and a movie group will be represented at the learning table. Iris said this table will include games, & the possibility of facilitating activities such as a bridge game.

Anne will have the table about hikes, outings, bus trips, lunches, parties and pool.

Volunteer Opportunities (table coordinated by Joyce Diviblis and Paula Scheiber) include:

- Andrus on Hudson
- The Beautification Committee
- Vine Squad
- FISH (Friends In Service Helping)
- Hudson River Museum
- TILI (Take It or Leave It)
- Untermeyer Gardens
- Adopt a Spot
- Historical Society
- Senior Citizen Advisory Committee
- Dorot
- Pollinator Project
- Hospitals (Paula)

Refreshments – Anne will take care of the refreshments.

Publicity

Letter to Enterprise
Article in the Enterprise
Anne's email list and Niki's list
Flyers

4. Polly said that there is a need for a meeting sooner than the scheduled meeting. It will be on September 18, 5:00 zoom.
5. Kate Washton suggested a future project – The Dark Skies Project that addresses the problem of light pollution. It is a particular problem for seniors. She volunteered to be a liaison with the Conservation Committee to promote this project.
6. There is a Village Fair on Tuesday, 9/12/23 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Valhalla Community Center in Mount Pleasant. It would be very useful to have members from this committee attend to see how they set up and how it could inform our event.
7. Polly said that before October 5 we will have a get together at the community center to work on the bulletin-boards

Next meeting: Monday September 18 5-6 zoom