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Council on Aging Board Meeting
Milano Center
June 20, 2024

Attendees

Board Members in Attendance

David Kourtz, Margaret Ivins, Ellen Cobau, Nancy Messina, Kristin Thorp, Maura Sullivan (via zoom)

Absent

Philip Hermann

Other Attendees

Erica Brown, COA Executive Director

Called to order at 8:05 by Chair David Kourtz

Minutes of Board Meeting May 16, 2024 (in meeting packet) approved

Executive Director's Report

Pavilion Grand Opening (6/4/24) was a success. Milano participants are using/enjoying the open space.

Interviews near completion to fill vacant Milano Center Assistant position.

Hamilton Hall representatives met with Chair Kourtz and Exec Director Brown (via zoom). Secured "spot" for next year. There is ongoing discussion regarding increasing level of participation.

Age Friendly/Dementia Friendly Initiative: Await word of grant award. Anticipate using funds for trainings and printing of resource guide. Health Department Summer Interns are available to identify community resources (i.e. accessible restrooms, shaded benches) [6/21 update: COA was awarded \$10,000 grant.]

Friends of Milano Center

Friends offered to fund

- replacement tables and chairs for conference room.
- storage cabinets for Tierney Hall.

Old Business

Revision of BOD Summer Meeting Schedule:

- No meeting in July.
- Wednesday August 21 BOD will meet in person

New Business

Discussion re date/time of UMB Needs Assessment Presentation: Erica will reach out to UMB re availability of presenters for late September 2024 Community Presentation and coordinate with Mayor's Office; anticipate 6pm start-time on a weekday evening; anticipate MMTV coverage

Discussion re sub-committee content presentation: Groups will meet and will email Action Items to Vice-Chair Margaret Ivins prior to July 17. UMB sub-committees are as follows:

- Housing (*Margaret, Kristin);
- Programming (*Nancy, Ellen, Maura);
- Transportation (*Ellen, Nancy, Phillip)
- Resources (*Dave, Nancy, Margaret)
- Financial Security (*Kristin, Dave, John Capuano)

* Indicates group recorder.

Next meeting will be held Milano Center (2nd floor conference room) on Wednesday August 17, 2024 at 8am

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 am

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ellen Cobau, Clerk