



## CALVERT COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING

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### **Minutes February 21, 2019**

Elizabeth Foster called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. at the Calvert Pines Senior Center. The meeting began with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Attendees:** Elizabeth Foster, Kathy Baron, Sudha Haley, Jeannette Findley, Frank Krohnert, Margaret Phipps, Harriet Gossett, Pam Williams, Robin Madera, Beverly Butler, Susan Justice, Liz Youngblood

**Non-Attendees:** Terry Long, Darlene Boerlage, Tanea Granlund, Len Winkler, Bessie Hoskins

**Guests:** Yolanda Hipski

**Agenda/Minutes:** The agenda/minutes were distributed. Motion to approve the minutes from the January 17 meeting. Motion: Robin; Seconded: Kathy. Minutes approved.

**Chair and Vice Chair Remarks/Reports:** Elizabeth Foster/Pam Williams

- Thank you for your support.
- Attended legislative breakfast last month. A lot of good movement with legislature.
- Pam is attending an Adult Interdisciplinary team meeting

**OOA Report:** A written report was provided on the following topics:

#### **Staffing**

#### **Programs/Events/Services**

- OOA has a full staff now.
- Ed Sullivan, Program Manager, is now recruiting for a new Health Counselor
- The proposed legislation to study placement for mental health/long-term care clients was not considered in this legislative cycle. Need to continue to advocate.
- Passed around congregate meal survey.
- Susan will order a DVD on challenging geriatric behaviors
- Receiving a new database for case management. All AAAs will be switching to a new database for Federal programs
- Requesting a budget for new position, Long-Term Care Manager to oversee LTC programs

#### **Delegate and Committee Reports:**

United Seniors of Maryland: No Report

Community Awareness and Outreach: Kathy Baron

- No Report

Housing: No Report

Transportation: Pam Williams/Yolanda Hipski

- Meeting with St. Mary's County – they request \$17,000 grant with 25% match from the county. 30-40 volunteers. Requirements for rides include: aged 60+, income standards, walker or cane. Will not transport seniors who have to be put under anesthesia (they must have a caregiver). Cash donations. Volunteers get stipend for mileage. Volunteers must go thru a background check, car inspection, have insurance (county offers liability insurance). Meeting on Monday, 2/25.

Senior Wellness: Robin Madera/Pam Williams

- Tried to reach Fran Armstrong. She is out of town. Suggested asking her to do a presentation at the Tri-County Conference.

- Robin can also do a presentation on wellness/mindfulness at the conference; set up blood pressure screenings. Will put together an outline for next meeting.
- PACCT meeting at the hospital – Dementia Focus Group trying to improve support in the county. Opportunity for COA members to share information. Ministries in the county involved working to meet geographic needs.
- Project Home – foster adults. Susan will ask Belinda Ragin to attend next COA meeting to discuss.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Major Accomplishments/Objectives Report – email info/ideas to Liz
- USM forum signup sheet passed around. OOA will register members.

**New Business:**

**Member Concerns:**

**Announcements:**

- Yolanda is attending the Tri-County Council Reception – will send information to Liz to pass on to members
- The next COA meeting will be **Thursday, March 21 at the Southern Pines Senior Center.**
- There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Youngblood, Office Specialist II, OOA