Watertown Senior Center Advisory Board Minutes December 19, 2023

1. Call to Order

The Senior Center Advisory Board met in person on December 19, 2023, at 9:00 am. The meeting was called to order by director Andrea Draeger. Present: Justin Munzel, Beth Beckett, Betty Jimenez, Kerry Kneser, and Cathie Wallen. Not present was Kimberly Henze, Kathleen Gillingham. Also present was Andrea Draeger.

2. Review and Approve the October Minutes

Beth Beckett motioned to approve the minutes from October 17, 2023. Cathie Wallen seconded. Motion carried.

3. Review and Approve the Monthly Financial Report

None are available at this time.

4. Citizens to be Heard

None.

5. Business

a. Appoint Kerry Kneser to the Senior Center Advisory Board as the Program Committee Chair

Cathie Wallen motioned to approve the appointment. Beth Beckett seconded. Motion carried.

6. Chairperson's Committee Report

a. Update Fundraising Committee on Current Efforts

A raffle license is still being explored as well as upcoming grants. The soup fundraiser will occur on January 18, 2024 and hope to have more soup donations. Bake sales will likely occur at the April, August, and November elections.

b. Update Membership Committee on Current Memberships and Renewals A new member packet is being developed and will be available soon.

c. Update Community Services Committee on Projects/Efforts

Joy Tree saw over 40 referrals this year! The Second Harvest Foodbank barrel also collected over 100lbs of food. The office may need assistance with taking tax appointments on January 15. Perhaps we could have barrel donations for assisted living locations?

d. Update Program Committee on Program Attendance & New Programs

Veteran's Day event went very well with over 70 people attending. Halloween was fun to celebrate with a potluck and costume contest. The holiday party will occur this Thursday and are looking for volunteers. Representatives from the Dodge County and Jefferson County ADRCs were present to discuss moving the monthly Memory Cafes to the Center along with several webinar watch parties. Wellness Wednesdays is a new support group beginning in January.

7. Director's Report

a. Updates

A reminder to donate funds for Teddi's funeral if interested. New furniture for the hall was presented and decided on. Board members were encouraged to create an account with the National Council on Aging and attend webinars if interested.

8. Adjournment

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 9:00 am. Betty Jimenez motioned to adjourn. Beth Beckett seconded. Motion carried.