

Board Meeting Minutes 12/23/2024

All present except Michelle W. & Phil N.

- November minutes approved unanimously (Liz 1st, Lynessa 2nd)
- December meeting: Carole sent thank you cards to pastor & team at Our Church
Went really well- good feedback from membership/senior centers. Ann did fabulous on center pieces and next year we'll raffle them at end.
Auction- next year start earlier, add QR code at meeting on screen and paper handouts, send info to independent living communities to get involved.
Counted 97 members & 7 visitors in attendance, but probably more. 128 +
Need more tables next year (at least 2), plus specific assigned seats for snr ctr attendees- easy to tell who is no show, as well as providing chairs for them if late.
- Table vendor is charging to break down tables- discussion that \$25-35 per event is worth it. Tawnya and Trish are price checking other vendors.
- Election winners – Ann Ferrell and Hannah Mediana- discussed who will take over Carol's thank you note sending/welcome emails. Carole will reach out in January to Hannah first and see if she is willing, then Ann. (Carole needs to provide input as to how much work it is). Lynessa is willing to do it, if neither of the new members will.
- Beacon & Lighthouse Senior Centers – board voted to not provide gift cards to individuals as it may create confusion for others. We will call it good with the many items we provided from the warm gear drive.
- Cheryl moved to give \$2000 to Buckley Senior Center even though they weren't present at the Christmas meeting as they were told they had to be. **Trish** will follow up w/ Buckley regarding their no show. Vote: 9 for, 2 opposed.
- January: Cheryl will continue to manage sponsorships.
Speaker will be Jenny presenting on membership dos and don'ts. Offering Our Church to attend and present for 5 minutes about their food bank (**Trish** to follow up). About 55% of their food bank users are seniors. **Tawnya** will make a can on wheels to collect donations- asking members to bring canned goods at each meeting thru-out year.
Winterfest Coat Raffle – Elizabeth already added raffle tickets, so we're ready for the drawing. We are not collecting coats this year.
Presentation of Bob Riler Community Service Award. Have 3 nominations in so far. **Beth** will remind Jenny to send another email at the end of this week, hopefully get a few more nominations.

- Treasurer Report: Fun Facts presented by Tawnya comparing last year's profits per event to this year's. We have about \$15k in the bank to start the new year. We earned about \$13k in raffles at meetings this year.
- IT Report: 262 members, **Jenny** will find out number of new members joining in 2024.
- MAL: Elizabeth – newsletter will focus on one board member each month- starting w/ Trish. She will send questions to answer.
Liz/Cheryl- discussion about having financials accessible to all board members. All files (paper & digital) are in boxes in Tawnya's garage. **We** will work on getting a google shared drive and upload the digital files there.
- Sponsorships 2025 – Breakfast: has April, May, August, December available (Rehmke/Andreve interested in co-sponsoring and will be on the Christmas committee to help w/ this)
Meeting: sold out
Beverage: August, November available. Carole/FTJ took October.
BAH: October was last available and taken by Lynessa, on the 23rd.
Jenny needs 5 business days prior to event to post on website, Newsletter info needs to be in the end of the month. Social media needs less lead time (couple of days).
- February meeting: Speaker – aging in place, Kelly from Longbridge Financial.
Other speaker ideas: **Jenny** to follow up w/ Dementia Friend program.
- Events 2025:
3/27: Guardianship Conference at Our Church
April/May: Parkinson's Conference at Our Church or RVCC
May: All Star Caregivers – maybe at Our Church
June: Pierce County Caregiver at RVCC
Summer event by board: Elizabeth/Lynessa following up w/ Rainiers
9/20: Alzheimer's Conference at Our Church
10/15: MTL at Our Church
Bob Riler Community Fund: start 2025 – need committee