



## CALVERT COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING

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### **Minutes May 20, 2021**

Charles Harrell called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. The meeting began with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Attendees:** Charles Harrell, Sudha Haley, Frank Krohnert, Kathy Baron, Tanea Granlund, Ed Sullivan, Liz Youngblood

**Non-Attendees:** Elizabeth Foster, Yolanda Hipski, Beverly Butler, Margaret Phipps, Bessie Hoskins, Terry Long

**Agenda/Minutes:** The agenda/minutes were distributed. Motion to approve minutes: Kathy, Second: Sudha. Approved.

**Chair and Vice Chair Remarks/Reports:** Charles Harrell

- No report

**OOA Report:** Ed Sullivan

- OOA Report handed out
- Discussion to set up "baseline measurement" for seniors to encourage increase in exercising
- Each year, Senior Center Operating Fund is used for upgrades to centers, ex. fitness room equipment
- Congregate meal participation numbers are small due to hesitancy, mask requirements. Expecting more participants after June 1 when requirements are lifted.
- Kristy Matchett is the Social Services MAP Coordinator at CP/NB/SP, replacing Liz Leclair.

**Delegate and Committee Reports:**

Community Awareness and Outreach: Kathy Baron

- Participating at North Beach Farmer's Market, 8 – 11 a.m. at the North Beach Senior Center parking lot. Many families request information on programs for parents
- Attended the reading of the Older Americans proclamation at the BOCC meeting, May 4.

Housing:

- No Report

Transportation:

- No Report

Wellness: Tanea Granlund

- Report handed out members (Liz will email to members not present)
- Many people finding benefits of virtual support group meetings.

Alzheimer's Support Group: Tanea Granlund

- See Wellness Report

AARP/NARFE/United Seniors of Maryland: Sudha Haley

- Report will be emailed to members

Age Friendly Community (AFC): Sudha Haley

- See AARP/NARFE/USM/AFC-WHO Report

Nominating Committee: Tanea Granlund

- No report

**Unfinished Business:**

Bylaws:

- Unanimously approved as revised.

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**New Business:**

- Revisit Committee Member Roster at the June meeting. Liz will email current roster to members.

**Members' Concerns:**

- Recruitment for COA members needed. Discussion to add health care professional, possible CSM advisor for educational services. Program Manager will advertise
- Discussed rotation of meeting venues. Will check with SPSC for possible location for June meeting. Will advise members when finalized.
- Discussion of senior rental properties in Calvert County. North Beach area is costly. Need legislation to protect seniors/housing. Prices going up.
- Organizations/businesses having trouble hiring people for services. Anne Arundel County Workforce Commission discussed free classes/programs – not enough responses to hold them. A number of reasons – political, unemployment, wages
- Concerns with people declining to get the COVID vaccines.

**Announcements:**

- The next COA meeting will be **Thursday, June 17, 9 a.m.**
- There being no further business, motion to adjourn: Sudha; second: Kathy. Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Liz Youngblood, Office Specialist II