AURORA COMMISSION FOR SENIORS (ACS)

Monday, August 3, 2020
1:00 p.m.
Aurora Center for Active Adults
30 Del Mar Circle, Aurora, CO 80011

MINUTES

ACS MEMBERS PRESENT: Juanita Audre, Chair; Jeannie Davis, Vice-Chair; Barbara Schneller, Gloria Shea, Sandy Thomas, Kathy Newton, Christina Newton

ACS MEMBERS ABSENT: none

OTHERS PRESENT: Jan Hamburg, Special Services Superintendent; Ronald Roulhac, Recreation Supervisor; Wendy Silveira-Steinway, CEO of “Changing the Narrative”, guest speaker.

CALL TO ORDER: By Aurora Commission for Seniors Chair, Juanita Audre, at 1:05 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS:

ADOPTION OF ACS MINUTES: The Minutes from July 6, 2020 were unanimously approved; minutes from May 4, 2020 were updated and approved.

GUEST SPEAKER: Wendy Steinway’s presentation “What is Ageism?” The presentation a power point and included a self test. https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/taketest.html

LIAISON REPORTS

Aurora Center for Active Adults: Ronald Roulhac, Aurora Center for Active Adults (ACAA) Supervisor
- The ACAA facility remodel is in progress. VOA continues to serve meals and Food Bank of the Rockies continues to distribute food. Officer Jim Seneca (APD liaison) has been taking food to elders in the COA. All planned ACAA functions have been cancelled with planned rescheduling for 2021.

Legislative Committee: Sandy Thomas
• Colorado Senior Lobby (CSL) has decided to switch focus to the 2022 Legislative session. Two separate reports were sent to all ACS members. It is suggested that Commissioners review and come prepared to discuss the reports at the next meeting. CSL has done a lot of data collection.

Arapahoe County Council on Aging (ACCoA): Barbara Schneller
• Commissioner was unable to attend but will await minutes and update us at the next meeting.

Senior Circle: Jeannie Davis
• Senior Circle met on July 8, the topics presented were Dental Care and Patient Advocacy. The next meeting will be September 9, with topics Alzheimer’s disease, Diversity, and Adult Protective Services.

Transportation Solutions: Christina Hollister
• No report.

Public Relations: Juanita Audre
• Juanita requests an update about Barbara Dahl placing “blasts” about ACS vacancies and activities on COA’s “Next Door” platform. Ron will follow-up with Barb regarding the concerns ACS members mentioned. The Commissioners are reminded to attend their respective Ward meetings and share information.

WARD MEETINGS
• All Commissioners reported that they have contacted their respective Councilpersons and will attend the next scheduled meetings with updates for the Commission.

OLD BUSINESS:  
Speakers for the remainder of the year’s meetings are confirmed as the following;  
John Ralston, September  
Barbara Dahl, October  
Shelly Mckittrick, November

NEW BUSINESS:  
• Juanita Audre, Commission Chairperson, has been invited to attend meetings of the Library Board to discuss a proposal to COA libraries for the purpose of communicating/disseminating information about issues and activities of Aurora’s older adults.
SUMMARY: Kathy and Barb will resubmit Emergency Card demo to Ron to obtain printing bids. ACS members are to complete the "Harvard Implicit Test" for discussion at our next meeting. ACS members are to follow up with their respective Councilperson and report at our next meeting. Quick review of goals and action plans.

NEXT MEETING
Date: Monday, September 14, 2020
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Aurora Center for Active Adults, 30 Del Mar Circle, Aurora Co. 80011 (meetings remain virtual)

ADJOURNMENT
A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.
The motion passes at 2:45 p.m.

Juanita Audre, Chair
Aurora Commission for Seniors

Gloria Shea, Commissioner and Recording Secretary

ADOPTED September 14, 2020

Date 9/21/21

Date September 21, 2021