BELLEVUE NETWORK ON AGING

MINUTES

October 3, 2024. 8:30a – 10:30a Hybrid Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anne Rittenhouse; Andrea Kline; Kari Marino;

Elaine White; Beth Hanley; Abigail Brown;

Bhavana Pahwa; Eleanor Lee; Joyce Hansbearry;

Shana Aucsmith

MEMBERS ABSENT: Beverly Heyden; Julie Hart; Barbara Carey

STAFF PRESENT: Dan Lassiter -Community Services Supervisor

Dave Glenn – South Bellevue Community Center

Manager

GUESTS:

PRESENTER(S): BNOA team discussed prep of CoB Dept Oct 9th

meeting.

RECORDING SECRETARY: Daniel Lassiter, Bellevue Parks & Community

Services

WELCOME AND ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order by Anne

Rittenhouse.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September minutes were approved.

Presentation: October 9th the BNOA will participate in the City of Bellevue Department discussion on how each supports the Bellevue older adult.

A discussion was held on the order of events for the October 9th meeting. Dan described his planned 5-minute talk covering most of the recreation sites with a glimpse to the departments what older adult program is in place at the Botanical Garden, Aquatic Center, community centers and recreation sites of Bellevue.

Dave Glenn from South Bellevue Community Center was present and was able to speak on activity for older adult occurring at that site. Dan requested the BNOA members wear their name badges and spread out in the room instead of being bunched up in a particular spot. Dan also encouraged members to take a few minutes to speak 1:1 3with these city leaders after the meeting for a more personal connection. At the November meeting the BNOA team will discuss how the meeting went and points of interest needing recognized and a plan of action for BNOA. Everyone was asked to be at city hall by 8:30a to help set up and then clean up by 11:30a.

Human Services Report – Christy Stangland

Christy indicated that the open position for the Human Services Commission closed, and Councilmember Zahn will make the final decision. The H.S. spending plan will go to council October 22 and then adopted in November. Christy reported that the HS Commission now meets just one time per month. Christy indicated a commissioner will eventually attend a BNOA meeting to get an idea of how BNOA works.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Members were asked to read the committee reports before the meeting for discussion.

Advocacy Committee Report – Abigail

Members are preparing to attend the Senior Lobby Day October 17 where the State's typical issues facing older adults are discussed. From those issues the Federal, State, and local agenda's will be developed.

Outreach Committee Report – Shana

See the Outreach minutes for current information.

Housing and Transportation – Anne

Anne indicated the H & T minutes were complete and to refer to them if anyone had questions or comments. No further discussion was had.

Community Meetings and Events Attended

Old Business -

Status of Pembrooke Meadows in Bellevue has asked for a presentation — Elaine. Anne and Beth will present on October 16 at 12:30 and will talk about what the BNOA does and will likely take the items used to table an event.

Status of Legal Resource Flyer is that Andrea has one item needing completed then Bhavana will review prior to printing.

New Business

Recruitment for BNOA was selected by Anne, Andrea, Bhavana, and Elaine volunteering to be on the committee. Flyers are being updated and input will be inquired by Dan to the team and then a Public Service Announcement will be sent out by the City of Bellevue. Interviews will hopefully commence mid-November.

Future possible presentations the BNOA would like to hear include Metro Access bus updated plan.

A change in January's BNOA schedule: The monthly meeting will be moved to January 9th and will be a closed meeting retreat from 8:30a – noon.

The group was reminded that October 9 will be Ageism Awareness Day.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.