

Commission on Aging

A meeting of the Commission on Aging was held on September 18th, 2008 at the De Pere Community Center. Members attending were Al De Cleene, Jim De France, Carol Peters, Rachel Dickhut and Millie Bain. Also present: Lori Pazdera, Senior Program Coordinator.

1. Approval of minutes of the July 17th, 2008 meeting. Attachment.
Motion to approve the minutes was made by Millie Bain. Rachel Dickhut seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. Evaluation of 2008 Senior Citizens Picnic.
Senior Program Coordinator, Lori Pazdera shared copies of the evaluation of the Picnic and reviewed it with the committee members. All members agree that the Picnic was a huge success and ran very smoothly. A few suggestions for next year are:
 - Delivering meal plates to those in need of help at the time their table number is called. Too many people got their meal early while table or spouses had to wait. Many would be done eating before everyone else at the table was called to get their meals. More help boning chicken Saturday morning.
 - Season the Booyah throughout the cooking process rather than at the end. (Use possibly a full container of poultry seasoning)
 - Designate Handicapped seating and put signs at those seats so anyone in wheelchairs has a place to go and not in a congested area.
 - Soup ladles could be a little bigger.
 - Soup needs to be continuously stirred to keep the thickness throughout the serving of the soup.
 - Bingo ~ Designate a Committee member to help the mayor if Vic or the Mayor's wife are not able to help. Committee members should be stationed or given specific job duties prior. Dave Vlack is a good helper and should be considered to assist with bingo as well.
3. Update on Senior Program Survey:
Shared with committee members, the surveys that have come in. It was agreed that we need more in order to compile a true census. Lori will speak to each group as they sign in and request the survey to be completed while participating in that specific day's activity. Will push the survey up until Nov. 13th and compile the results for the next Commission on Aging meeting.
4. Public Comment Period.
There was no public comment.
5. Future Agenda Items.
Review and analyze results from the senior survey.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20th at 12:30 p.m. at the De Pere Community Center. Millie Bain motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rachel Dickhut seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Lori Pazdera