



**Minutes of Regular Meeting
April 25, 2023
Woodbridge Senior Center
13850 Church Hill Drive, Woodbridge VA 22191**

Present: Mickey Feeley, Coles District; Secretary
Sandra Dawson, Woodbridge District; Vice Chair
Sarah Henry, Director, Prince William Area Agency on Aging
Joe Diaz, Brentsville District
Alleen Bagley, President, Friends of Senior Center Woodbridge
Barbara Reese, President, Friends of Senior Center Manassas
Brian Fulton, Neabsco District
Eileen Fowler Thrall, Potomac District

Absent: Nancy West, Occoquan District; Chair
Diana Paguaga, Representative-At-Large

Visitors: Ed Harrison, Senior Center Division Manager - Presenter
Joe Stainsby, Chief Development Officer, OMNIRIDE

1. Meeting was called to order at 09:03 a.m. and Pledge of Allegiance recited.
2. **Citizens Time:** Joe Stainsby provided an update on the OMNIRIDE Eastern Service Restructure.
3. **Presentation:** Ed Harrison provided a status update on the accreditation with the National Institute of Senior Centers (NISC).
 - a. The Manassas and Woodbridge Senior Centers are two of three Senior Centers in Virginia that have earned this accreditation. The Prince William Senior Centers 5-year accreditation is due this year.
 - b. The NISC accreditation involves nine standards with specific questions that must be satisfied. The review is now mainly virtual as a result of COVID protocols via a standard format.
 - c. The Woodbridge Senior Center Manual is complete and will go through an internal review prior to NISC evaluation that may include COA participation.

3. Administrative Items: Mickey provided a review of all documents contained in each attendee's folder. Sandra Dawson asked for a motion to approve the March 2023 minutes. Brian Fulton made a motion to approve the minutes, Sandra Dawson seconded the motion, with all members affirming. The March 2023 COA minutes are approved.

4. Director's Time: Sarah Henry, Agency Director, provided updates on ongoing programs/projects/issues:

a. The wait list for Personal Care is presently at 24 persons.

b. All positions within the Prince William Area Agency on Aging (AAA) are currently filled.

c. The AAA is evaluating the Meals on Wheels model for sustained improvements. The AAA has gained volunteer delivery drivers from Fairfax County as a result of their shift to a paid, non-volunteer system. There are >50 volunteers for Prince William County, pre-pandemic numbers were approximately 100. Yellow Cab is currently being paid to deliver additional routes in Woodbridge.

d. The summer Bluebird schedule is now available. See bluebirds@qualitytours.com for more information.

e. The Older Americans Month Celebration Picnic at BSA Camp Snyder on May 12, 2023.

f. The Aging Gracefully Expo is on 18 May at Potomac Mills Mall, times TBD.

g. Equality Prince William Pride Celebration on 21 May in Manassas.

h. Manassas City Police's Aging Educational Event will be held on 13 May.

i. A Community Services Fair will be held on 6 June 6th at the Potomac Library in Woodbridge.

j. There was a review of the AAA Services and Units Summary Report (from 07/01/2022 to 03/31/2023).

5. Chairpersons time: Sandra Dawson stated there were no updates for this meeting.

6. Old Business: No old business.

7. Standing and Informational Committee Reports:

a. Housing: The Housing Board meets on 27 April.

b. Northern Virginia Aging Network (NVAN): Mickey reported the 2023 NVAN Legislative Breakfast date is set for 20 September at the Country Club of Fairfax. The NVAN annual legislative and budgetary brainstorming process virtual meeting was held on 18 April. Voting on the priorities will take place over the next several weeks.

c. Friends of the Senior Center Woodbridge: Alleen Bagley reported they are working with vendors to get new member gift bags printed out.

d. Friends of the Senior Center Manassas: There was a meet and greet in March with approximately 12 persons attending. Dance parties are going strong and the center garden is ready for planting. A fence for the garden to keep Deer out is in planning. The Friends had elections for seven positions with ten people under consideration.

8. New Business: No new business.

9. Commission Member Announcements: Brian Fulton reported that Bluebird is seeing many new members riding the bus. Eileen directed a question to Sarah if she was aware of what was going on the unused rescue squad building in Dumfries. Sarah said the town of Dumfries has reached out to the AAA to discuss senior programming.

10. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Original Signed

23 May 2023

Approved: _____

Listing of Handouts in Record Copy (available upon request to the Secretary):

1. Agenda
2. COA Minutes – 28 March 2023
3. Executive Committee Minutes – 11 April 2023
4. Commission on Aging Meeting Schedule with Topics for 2023
6. COA Local Government Appointee & Prince William Area Members Roster
7. OMNIRIDE Eastern Service Restructure Slides
8. AAA Services and Units Summary Report (from 07/01/2022 to 03/31/2023)
9. Bluebird Tours Summer 2022 schedule.