

Schaumburg Township
Committee for Persons with Disabilities
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 8, 2020

- I. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM.
- II. Roll Call (the following were in attendance):
Mark Chereso
Micki Coppel
Bill Eliasek
Carleen Emde
Eva Feng
Andrew Miller
Trustee Jeffrey S. Mytych
Darrell Taylor
Committee Staff Member Lauren Ewan
- III. Approval of February Minutes
Motion by Bill Eliasek; Second by Darrell Taylor. Motion carried.
- IV. Public Comment
None.
- V. Reports
- A. Chairperson's Report
Chairperson Coppel did not travel to Washington D.C. for advocacy on disability services issues and hear about updates affecting disability community since it was canceled due to COVID back in March 2020. From the Work Group meeting, there is nothing new to report either. From the ARC of Illinois Zoom meeting, discussions about the criminal justice legislation in Springfield about pa.
- B. Trustee Liaison's Report
The board is actively in the process of looking for a replacement for the Director of Senior and Disability Services. Trustee Mytych saw the brother of someone who he grew up with who he hasn't seen in 25 years at the Valentine's Day Dance.
- C. Director's Report
Written report on file. Department is currently accepting LIHEAP applications, Medicare Open Enrollment will be starting in mid-October – preparing for that. Both senior and disability departments are looking for more virtual programs – if anyone has any ideas, please send them to Kim Kettel or me. There will not be a Halloween Dance this year due to the pandemic, hopefully next year. Meeting with department staff Friday to discuss hosting a virtual Holiday Program this year in place of our annual holiday party for children with disabilities due to COVID. Working with Amy Fillmore in Welfare Services coordinating this year's "Adopt-a-Family" holiday program.
- V. Old Business
- A. Valentine's Day Dance and Ice Cream Social Recap – February 15, 2020
Had 85 guests attend the dance. We had six great volunteers serve pizza from Riccardo's Ristorante in Schaumburg and ice cream sundaes to all guests. Guests enjoyed two hours of dancing and music from a DJ along with a "photo booth" in the hallway to take group photos and a wooden heart decoration activity.
- B. 2nd Annual Breakfast with the Bunny Event – April 4, 2020
Due to the sudden onset of COVID, our department had to completely change plans for this event. We had to cancel all in group/in person programming due to COVID so we officially canceled the breakfast gathering this year. We called all registered guests this year and last year, asked how many children in each home to create each

one a basket full of goodies, and deliver them to their homes. Staff met and created 40 baskets! Special thanks to Cook County Commissioner Kevin Morrison's volunteers for delivering the baskets.

C. Funded Agency Grant Awards FY21

Staff Liaison Lauren Ewan reviewed each funded agencies final board approval grant award to CFPD.

VI. New Business

A. Director of Senior and Disability Services Search

As of 9/8, Administrator McVey reviewed over 100 resumes for the position of Director of Senior and Disability Services. Next step was phone interviews for 20 candidates, and then eight candidates were chosen for in-person interviews with Administrator, Community Relations Coordinator and senior and disability staff Anna Newell, Ami-Nell Scurry, and Kim Kettel. Final three candidates interviewed with the board and the board makes the final decision.

A. COVID-19 Department Operations

Plan is to all services remotely as possible – over the phone, drop off documents for copying, but if necessary will assist clients via in-person appointments.

B. Committee Suggestions for Department

Asked all CFPD members if there is something we should offer in terms of services/programs for our residents/people with disabilities, improve on, etc. Committee agreed to do more brainstorming with the new director.

VII. Adjournment

Motion by Bill Eliasek; Second by Carleen Emde. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.