

Minutes of the March 26, 2024, meeting of the L.E. Phillips Senior Center Board of Directors

ABSENT: Wirth and Burch

President Graaskamp called the meeting to order at 8 a.m.

The February 2024 minutes were approved unanimously, with Mero moving and Pocernich seconding.

President Graaskamp gave an update on the arrangements for the strategic planning session the board will have on April 23.

Treasurer Kinderman gave her financial report, saying “the numbers are looking very positive for the month of February.” Donations in particular were larger than expected, she said, adding, “we are on a strong path for donations.”

On the other side, she said, expenses were helped by a mild winter, meaning less snow removal and other expenses. “We certainly had a good ride with the weather,” she said.

Executive Director Minor gave her report, saying the city of Eau Claire held a successful neighborhood meeting recently in the Center.

She then discussed the need for a Code of Conduct for members, saying there was an incident with a member being asked to leave because of their behavior. The Code of Conduct passed unanimously with Mero moving and Bates seconding.

RCU has announced it will be a major sponsor of the Resource Fair that will be held Sept. 17, 2024, following the successful 2023 fair. It is hoped the revenue from the fair will make up for the revenue lost by canceling the Water Street Mile for 2024.

Membership numbers continue to edge closer to 3,000, Executive Director Minor said.

Building Committee Chair Bunkelman said the renovations to the pool room downstairs were completed. Also, computers from downstairs have been relocated upstairs.

Marketing Committee Chair Mell said the Eggplant Heroes will return to the Senior Center on May 10. Part of the proceeds will aid the laid off HSHS and Prevea employees, he said.

Treasurer Kinderman then discussed a recent Finance Committee meeting with the Center’s financial advisor.

Program Committee Chair Mero reported on the effort to repair/replace fitness. Two new balance beams were purchased, for example.

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 a.m. The next meeting is April 23.