

**GREENE COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS' SERVICE FUND BOARD**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 14, 2019**

A meeting of the Greene County Senior Citizens' Services Fund Board was called to order at 9:00 am on Tuesday, January 14, 2018. The meeting was held in Historic Courthouse Conference Room 309.

**Board Members Present:** Chuck Marinec, Monica Horton, Denny Pliant, Amy Montebello and Joyce Munden.

**Board Members Absent:** Thelma Neff (excused) and Gwen Baker (excused).

**Others Present:** Debi Meeds, Jill Fenney and Rennie Diekemper (United Way), Betsy Fogle and Cliff Conquest (Jordan Valley), Sharon Alexander (Legal Services of Southern Missouri), Mark Struckhoff and Christine Moses (Council of Churches), Jamie Henline and Rachel Knight (Ozark Public Television), Ron Hutchison and Connie Hayes.

**Meeting Minutes:** December 11, 2018

- Joyce moved to approve the minutes. Amy seconded. All in favor and motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Chuck gave the Treasurer's report for November 2018 in Thelma's absence.
- Chuck also stated that we still have 2018 invoice coming in.
- Chuck said that provided all grant request were approved today that would leave a balance of \$543,097.00 available.
- Denny made the motion to approve Treasurer's report and Amy seconded. All in favor and motion passed.

**Old Business:**

**Ash Grove Sunshine Center:**

- Tabled until information on chairs and corrected amount for food enhancement is received.

**New Business:**

**Ozark Public Television:**

- Rachel Knight and Jamie Hemline were here to present their request for 2019 funding.
- Jamie said they started this program in 2013 to be able to spread awareness of programs available to seniors.
- Denny asked how long they run the ads and Jamie said 18 months with about 500 airings per month.
- Jamie was asked how many new viewers there were, she said it changes from time to time.
- Rachel said they use a measure that would not accurately provide the number.
- Jamie also said that news viewers are now the care givers of seniors.

- Jamie said you may have heard the ads several times, but until you need the services it does not really hit home.
- Joyce asked if they had any new ideas for the airings.
- Jamie said they would be working with the agencies to get list of agencies that received funding this year.
- Rachel said that over time they have used sixteen agencies that the Board has funded.
- Denny made the motion to approve request for \$10,000.00 and Joyce seconded. All in favor motion carried.

#### **United Way of the Ozarks:**

- Rennie and Debi were here today to discuss their grant request.
- Rennie said that last year they completed 374 projects and helped 62 seniors.
- Rennie said they are getting more requests from seniors that are getting warnings and violations from County and City
- Rennie said the 2019 request will help to fulfill 2018 requests that they were unable to help.
- Rennie said program is very important for seniors to see that there are people willing to volunteer to help.
- Chuck asked what the collateral item in their budget was and Reni said it was for the brochures they give out at the resource fairs.
- Chuck also asked if they could use our logo on their printed items in the future.
- Connie will send logo to United Way.
- Amy made the motion to approve request for \$35,000.00 and Joyce seconded.
- All in favor, motion carried.

#### **Legal Services of Southern Missouri:**

- Sharon Alexander from LSSM said they have been providing legal services since the board was formed.
- Denny said he would like to compliment Sharon on her application.
- Joyce asked if they had any special focus for 2019 and Sharon said they did not at this time.
- Sharon said last year they focused on reaching out to the seniors, and they would be contacting the Senior Centers this year.
- Denny made the motion to approve request for \$60,000.00 and Monica seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

#### **Strafford Senior Center:**

- Christine said the new program added last year was Crosslines which provides food boxes.
- Christine said Connection Handyman request has increased
- Denny stated that there seems to be a lot of overlap on services, but the overlap seems to be covering different services.
- Amy asked if they check to see if the programs overlap and Christine said they have conversations about the services provided.
- Mark said they have found out that the kind of repairs some seniors are needing require licensed contractors.

- Amy asked about Habitat for Humanity. Mark said Council of Churches focuses on seniors and Habitat focuses on all.
- Joyce made the motion to approve request for \$156,984.00 and Denny seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**Jordan Valley Community Health Center:**

- Betsy said they are requesting the same amount they have for the last three years.
- Betsy also said they hope to provide services for 120 seniors in 2019.
- Joyce ask if there was anywhere else they could go for dental services and Betsy said they could go to Lift up Springfield for limited emergency services.
- Cliff said there are not many services of this kind provided.
- Joyce made the motion to approve request for \$150,000.00 and Denny seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**Northview Senior Center:**

- Amy made the motion to approve food enhancement request for \$7,000.00, subject to progress report completion and Joyce seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**Communication:**

- Chuck said Cindy Stein the Greene County Auditor feels comfortable with conditions of the Give 5 Program
- Chuck said Clay County has asked for funding with the Summit on Aging for 2019.
- Denny said he feels that we are gathering information form these summits that are helping seniors in an indirect way.
- Joyce asked if Cindy would have an answer on whether or not we can provide funds to Clay County.
- Connie will contact Ash Grove about how many chairs they are purchasing and progress report and Northview about the front page of their progress report.

**Adjourn:** Amy moved to adjourn and Monica seconded. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: January 28, 2019.

Connie Hayes  
Greene County Senior Citizens Service Fund