CONNECTIONS AREA AGENCY on AGING

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: 3/29/2023

TIME: 11:00AM – 12:30 PM

PLACE: Zoom Meeting

ITEM

**I. Call To Order – Kelly Butts-Elston**

**A**. **Roll Call** - Board members answering roll call were:, Bonnie Godden, Tom Hoogestraat, George Gillespie, Cindy Bunten, Cathay Pringnitz, absent: Mark Monson, Kari Livermore, Barb Redmond

B. Recognition of Visitors: Kelly Butts-Elston, Ann Wilson, Aubury Krueger-Kutchara, Sherri Carson

**C. Approval of February Minutes** –

**Cathay made a motion to approve the minutes. George seconded to approve the meeting minutes. Motion carried.**

1. Agenda –

**Cathay made a motion to approve the amended agenda seconded by George. Motion carried.**

**II. Reports**

1. **Mission Report:** Kelly shared her gratitude for her team doing an awesome job while she was out.
2. **Advisory Council Report**: Aubury reported that the Council had met on March 9th and that they had a review of the FY2024 Area Plan Goals, Gaps and Strategies.
3. **CEO Report**: Kelly referred the board to her written report. In addition to her report Kelly added:
   1. **IDA/HHS Merger:** The AAAs are eager to with Director Garcia as she has experience in service delivery and is a woman of action and her word. The AAA Directors met with the Governor’s office to make them aware of of the financial cliff that we are facing.
   2. **OWEP program:** Kelly reported that we have Good News, it is looking like the state is committed to the OWEP program going forward.
4. **Division Reports**
5. **Community Engagement**: Aubury referred the board to her written report and added, an updates on the upcoming fundraising events. She let the board know that we are going to try a new platform for golf tournaments called Golf Status that will help us to better track the event, and that we are getting pricing from Sioux City Area venues for the Sugar and Spice Gingerbread Gala.
6. Healthy Living: Sherri referred the board to her written report and added that on April 1st we will be replacing mile with fortified drink mix. This was not an easy decision. Due to the increase in the cost of food we had to find alternative options to continue the program without creating additional waitlists.

**III. Business Requiring Action**

1. Approval of January Financials

**Cindy made a motion to approve and file the January financial report, seconded by Bonnie. Motion carried**.

1. Approval of Area Plan FY2024

**Bonnie made a motion to approve the strategies of the FY 2024 Area Plan, seconded by George. Motion carried.**

**IV. Business Not Requiring Action:**

1. **Fiscal Report:** Ann presented the board with the preliminary January fiscal report. Ann reminded the board that the January report will be completed and presented next month along with the preliminary March fiscal report.
2. **Legislative Update:** Kelly reported that so far this state session has been all about education. Kelly informed the board that the legislature is looking at combining various state commissions due to the IHHS mergers, but that the Commission on Aging will remain in intact

**V. Open Forum:**

## VI. Adjournment:

**George made a motion, seconded by Cindy to adjourn. Motion carried**