Alcona County Commission on Aging

August 26, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

- Call to Order by President Schlicker at 10:06 am
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll call
    - Treasurer Rolland Lynch – Present
    - Director Leroy Pinder – Absent excused (enters meeting at 10:54)
    - Director Laurie Szczesny – Present
    - Director Ty Damon - Present
    - President Delores Schlicker – Present
    - Secretary Dr. Robert Turek – Present
    - Director Kelly Von Fintel – Present
    - Member-at-Large Commissioner Carolyn Brummund – Present

      Also present – Executive Director Wendy Bain, and seven members of the public

- Approval of Agenda
    - Motion by Damon, seconded by Von Fintel, to approve the Agenda as amended
        - Motion Passed

- Approval of Meeting Minutes
    - Motion by Damon, seconded by Von Fintel, to approve the July 22, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes
        - Motion passed

- Public Comment Period – None

- Update of the New Building Project by Andy Shaw

- Report by Katlyn Franks, NEMCSA Financial Services Analyst as well as by Wendy Bain, for Kim Fleming, ACCOA Region 9 AAA Representative
    - Two grants awarded from NEMCSA, one for Cardio Drumming ($2427) and one for Respite Care ($9110)
    - Sept 11th is Region 9 AAA meeting for Directors held at PACE offices in Alpena
    - Wendy and Megan will be attending a Consumers Energy funded "Grant Writing" workshop, as well as NEMCSA initiated training later this year regarding obtaining funding.

- Report by Commissioner Brummund – There is a new Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer and a new Prosecuting Attorney will be fully on board next week.

- Executive Director's report
    - 2476 meals served in July, 307 being Congregate.
    - Ty has made initial grant application for an up to $250,000 grant from Consumer's Energy for the purpose of "Community Beautification" encompassing such things as raised garden beds, a gazebo, paved walkways and comprehensive landscaping throughout. He is also pursuing grant opportunities for a generator for the complex.
    - Wendy and Patti are working on bringing back a Blood Bank/Draw program

- "Hometown Heroes" being offered a 10% discount on yearly gym memberships include personnel such as Fire Departments, Police Officers/Deputies, 911, Emergency Personnel and First Responders.
- More events being scheduled by Rae including weddings, meetings, baby showers and other events
- In need of more Direct Care Workers. Twenty-eight people now on waitlist.
- Change of daily Congregate Meal to lunchtime occasionally as well as occasional breakfasts being considered. Friday nights as well.
- Saturday August 2nd was the date for the Annual fundraiser for WxTF radio station and went "great".
- 121 Alcona resident gym memberships have been sold (63 of which are age 60+) as well as 15 out-of-county memberships and 26 day passes.
- Former Director Pam MacKinnon donated two "Bouncy Houses" for use for birthday party rental. Insurance requirements will be researched.
- Beginning Tuesday September 2, gym hours expand to 6 am – 9 pm. Weekend hours to be added later.
- ACCOA portion of complex will be closed on Friday September 5th for a required all-staff meeting. Gym side will be open.
- Bus has been advertised online for 10 days, and was prepped, repaired and detailed by Len Bobick and his staff. It will be placed on auction sites.

- Treasurer's Report
  - Motion by Turek, seconded by Damon, to accept the Treasurer's Report as provided, subject to audit.
    - Motion passed

- Director Szczesny presents some recommendations for changes to the Treasurer's Report.
  - Motion by Damon, second by Turek, to have Rolland, Laurie and Wendy meet, potentially including input from accountant, to discuss potential upgrades to Treasurer's Report, and then report back to the Board.
    - Motion passed

- Committee Reports
  - Nominating Committee – Laurie, on behalf of the Committee, presents to the Board a slate of eight candidates for the upcoming yearly election.
    - Motion by Damon, second by Laurie, to accept the list of candidates as presented
      - Motion passed

  - Finance Committee – report submitted. Ty reviews the multi-page report he authored, along with a list of recommended actions that the Board authorize be taken.
    - Motion by Damon, seconded by Laurie, to accept the list of recommended actions proposed by the Finance Committee in regards to Building Project construction matters.
      - Motion passed

    - Ty reviews a letter from AAA CU in which they decline to offer the ACCOA a Line of credit.

  - Personnel Committee – report submitted

- Unfinished Business
    - Ty reports that efforts at decorating the Sunrise Center are proceeding, with more promotion being needed to get more interest.

    - Motion by Turek, seconded by Lynch, to give President Delores Schlicker the full settlement authority which had previously been given to Phil Potter to settle an outstanding legal matter if required
        - Motion passed

- New Business –
    - Motion by Damon, seconded by Pinder, to offer a 10% discount on yearly gym memberships to previously mentioned Emergency and Law Enforcement personnel "Hometown Heroes".
        - Motion passed

- Public Comment Period – Sharon Morgan brings up a question on available first aid. Wendy replies that there are First Aid stations present with more being added. Defibrillation units also on premises. Stephanie Ford speaks about the possibility of yoga and other classes being offered. Andy Shaw speaks about the features being offered on the GymMaster program very soon to be implemented.

- Director Final Comments & Concerns-
    - Director Damon thanks those running for Director positions and emphasizes the need to advertise the candidates and the election.
    - Director Pinder relates positive comments he has heard regarding the quality of the Building. Director Szczesny, Wendy and Commissioner Brummund offer similar positive sentiments they have heard.
    - Secretary Turek comments on the performance of Andy with the construction timeline, as well as his appreciation of those willing to run for the Board and the need to include those who do not win seats to be asked to serve on committees.
    - Treasurer Lynch comments that he has never seen so many applicants to be on the Board in his fifteen years.

- Motion by Lynch, seconded by Pinder, to adjourn
    - Motion passed at 11:42 pm

Meeting adjourned until the 10 am, September 23, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

Dr. Robert Turek

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