



COAGB TELECONFERENCE

April 9th, 2021 Informal Summary 'At a Glance'

DATE: Friday April 9th, 2021 @ 9:30 AM

PRESENT: Tanya S., Wally H., Jan C., David B., Sharron C., Lynn S., Pam Mc., Sandra H., Mary Beth L., Meri-Diane C., Frank E., Muriel S., Randy H., Doug W.

GUESTS: Karla T., Debbie F

REGRETS: Colleen B., Linda L., Ed P., Loretta D.

Tanya S., Chair of the COAGB welcomed all those on the call.

WALLY H. 1st VICE CHAIR & COAGB COMMUNICATIONS REPORT:

- Community Safety & Well-Being Planning Advisory Committee: Please click on the following link to the CSWBP website and follow the prompts to complete the second survey being conducted post pandemic. As well as paper copies of survey are available from your municipality. <https://cswbp-brucegrey.ca>
- Grey County: Grey County will receive a \$60,000 grant from the Ontario Inclusive Community Grants program to support the county's Age Friendly Community Strategy and Action Plan, as announced by MPP Bill Walker.
- Grey County: Grey County has been approved to develop a new 128 bed facility adjacent to the Grey Gables Long Term Care Home in Markdale. In preparation for that project, Grey County has retained SHS consulting to help understand alternative uses for the existing home once everyone is settled into the new facility. Over the coming weeks, they will be speaking to key stakeholders who have insight into the needs of seniors. This is a similar consultation as to what Grey County has been holding meetings with key stakeholders previously for the "Campus of Care" project to replace Rockwood Terrace in Durham.
- Grey Bruce Public Health: Vaccination program is progressing well. On Wednesday April 7th, 3498 people were vaccinated in that one day at the "Hockey Hub" in the P & H Centre in Hanover. Vaccinating 350 people per hour. This was the largest immunization event in Canada. 36028 doses have been administered to this date.

DAVID B. - BROCKTON (PINKERTON) & COAGB TREASURER & OACA Rep REPORT.

- Bank Balance: \$2101.91
- OACA (Ontario Association of Councils on Aging):

OACA has been having monthly Strategic Planning sessions (Zoom) and we are making good progress. We have a Vision, Mission, Values and Goals nailed, now we are working on specific activities to achieve our Goals.

Currently, we have set up some committees:

1. Executive Committee
2. Planning and Development Committee – I am on this committee and one of our tasks, is to develop a Tool Kit that will layout a road map of how to startup new Councils on Aging. TOR has been approved by the board. At our April 7th meeting, (yesterday) the work plan table was populated and our 5 objectives have project leads assigned.

I will be working on Objective 2 - Collaborate with other Councils on Aging by:

a) sharing learnings

b) sharing/supporting with virtual meeting tools

3. Communications Committee

OACA submitted a 60K\$ Application for the “Inclusive Community Grant”, with a focus of encouraging more small urban and rural communities to start their own Councils on Aging to promote Age Friendly Communities. We did not get this grant and are looking for other sources of funding to support our strategic plan priorities.

OACA Next Meeting May 6th, 2021

SHARRON C. - NORTHERN BRUCE PENINSULA & COAGB 2nd VICE CHAIR:

- Alex Ruff MP spoke on GBSCWW, April 7th, to 14 participants. He stated that there was currently a 40,000 to 50,000 backlog in applications for Veteran's Funds
- Lynn provided contact information

1. Met with Misty Shonauer from the United Way of Bruce Grey to discuss working and collaborating together on the planning and implementing of the extended Bruce Grey Seniors' Centre Without Walls until at least March 31, 2022. See attached April 2021 Calendar and Poster.

2. The April 2021 BGSCWW April calendar will be in the next issue of the Tobermory Press. Advertising expense will be paid by the grant.

3. The Northern Bruce Peninsula Community Support Advisory Action Committee executive will continue to meet via telephone, e-mail and/or through mailings.

4. The Bruce Grey Seniors Centre Without Walls had 208 participants with an average of 9 attendees per session in March.

5. Preparing an application to the Retired Teachers of Ontario, RTOERO Community Grant for \$2,500 for the continuation and the support of the Bruce Grey Seniors' Centre Without Walls.

6. There are many community groups that are spreading the word about BGSCWW. It is now on the United Way Bruce Grey website.

7. Frank Emptage, Karla Trudgen and Debbie and Dave Dover have volunteered to host some sessions.
8. Participants are happy to win the monthly draw for a \$25.00 gift card.
9. Let me know if you can present a session, recommend a speaker or host a fun trivia
10. I have attended several webinars on a variety of topics related to seniors issues via zoom.

ROUNDTABLE

JAN C. -OWEN SOUND SAC: (no report)

MERI-DIANE C. - MEAFORD:

- Quiet due to health restrictions
- Phone calls are being made and she is always available by phone
- Shared concerns about high housing costs
- Emphasized that people are feeling vulnerable and the importance of reaching out

PAM Mc. - TOWN OF BLUE MOUNTAINS:

- A New Horizon's Grant was approved to support the BVOSCWW
- A presentation of "Ye Canna Throw Ye Granny Off A Bus" on elder abuse prevention was well attended
- Arrangements to present "Ye Canna Throw Granny Off A Bus" at our next meeting are underway
- Pam has been appointed to The Town of Blue Mountains' Task Force For COVID19 Recovery

LYNN S. - GREY HIGHLANDS: (no report) Lynn contributed advice and valuable contacts.

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RANDY H. - KINCARDINE SENIOR'S ACTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (KASAAC) & COAGB
MEMBER AT LARGE:

- KASAC was well attended
- Their Transportation Initiative is making progress
- He participated in the CSW Survey
- The need for improved booking mechanisms for the vaccine rollout were discussed
- The Hanover record for a day's vaccinations at 3498 was reviewed

FRANK E. - RTO REP & COAGB SECRETARY:

- Distributed the CHW Survey to RTOERO GreyBruce members

STEPHANIE L-A. - GREY COUNTY PLANNING:

- Celebrated the approval of an Inclusive Community Grant, \$60,000.00 to develop an Age Friendly Community Action Plan for the county
- The plan will aim to capture and address the needs along the entire age spectrum
- Only 15% of applications for this ICG were successful
- Successful applications needed to be sustainable and regional in scope
- An inquiry will be made of J, Dunlop, the curator of the ICG to see if all the funds have been dispersed

MURIEL S. - SOUTHGATE SAC:

- Attainment of a new Community Fund from the Grey Bruce Community Foundation
- 5 communities in Grey Bruce now have Community Funds

DOUG W. - ARRAN ELDERSLIE SAC & UNITED SENIOR CITIZENS OF ONTARIO (USCO) REP.

- Expressed interest in The Town of Blue Mountains' Task Force For COVID19 Recovery

MARY BETH L. - GEORGIAN BLUFFS : (no report)

SANDRA H. - THE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY;

- Celebrated the approval of a New Horizons' Grant to purchase tablets and internet links
- Promoted The Walk For Alzheimers May 29 Virtual Event
- Tool kit to build daily support plans

GUEST KARLA TRUDGEN THE MEETING PLACE TOBERMORY & GOLDEN TOWN RESIDENCE COMMITTEE;

- To have a paramedic vaccinate you at home call the provincial number and ask for home service.

REMINDERS: NEXT COAGB MEETING: Friday May 14th, 2021 @ 9:30 AM