

Aging with Pride: Meeting Minutes April 16, 2023

Attendees:

Dale A Blane D Jeff H Mike M Dawn R
Marty S Pat Z Randy S Steve S Mike S
Karen F Peter G

Aging with Pride: Current Actions

1. Website up and running
 - a. Website address: agingwithprideerie.org
 - b. AWP meeting minutes to be sent for website posting
 2. The AWP target age group is 50+
 3. AWP includes provision for AWP Allies. (Friends, relatives, etc.)

4. Aging with Pride Book Club:

- a. Event 5/20/23: 1-2 PM - Werner Book Store
- b. Reading selection for May - **EIGHTY- SIXED** (David B. Feinberg)
- c. Event posted to website.
- d. Event announced in Erie Gay News April issue.
- e. Club events will be scheduled on the 3rd week of each month.
- f. Identify Book Club selection for June 2023.
- g. Pass on June Book Club info information to EGN by 5/15/23
For May 23rd EGN issue.

5. Aging with Pride Launch Event: JUNE 10, 2023

- a. Underdog Bar-B-Q venue, Saturday 6/10/23.
- b. Establish time (afternoon/evening?) for the event.
- c. Get final event info to EGN by 5/15/23 for June EGN issue.
- d. Will need table topper with AWP Logo, T shirts, Banner.
 - (1) Price estimates for AWP T-shirts, provided by Silk Screen Unlimited.
 - (2) Mike distributed estimates to attendees.
 - (3) 2 week turn around time for T- shirt orders
- e. Additional estimates for T shirts and banners will be obtained for cost comparison.
- f. Funding for banner/table for other events to be determined.

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6. AWP Needs Assessment and Interest Inventory

- a. AWP Needs Assessment Tool continues to be developed to promote Inclusion of as many senior LGBT+ characteristics in a respectful manner.
- b. Pat and Michael M continue to refine these surveys.
- c. Current editions of the AWP Needs Assessment and Interest Inventory will be available at the AWP Launch Event on June 10, 2023.
- d. Communication with NW Pa Pride Alliance reveals AWP Needs Assessment and Interest Inventories can be sent to the alliance. Alec Spohn states completed inventories will be returned to AWP.

TO DO: send final copy of Needs Assessment to Alec Spohn.

7. AWP Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- a. April 30, 2023 1:00 PM - Sunday
- b. May 7, 2023 1:00 PM- Sunday
- c. May 21, 2023 1:00 PM- Sunday
- d. June 11, 2023 1:00 PM -Sunday
- e. June 26, 2023 **7:00 PM – MONDAY** (following PRIDE weekend)

8. Upcoming Events

- a. **May 6, 2023** – NWPA Pride Prom 7:00 – 10:00 PM
Ambassador Banquet and Conference Center
- b. **May 13, 2023** - LGBT Food Drive- 10:30 AM – 2:00 PM
Central Outreach, 3104 State Street
- c. **Gay Pride June 24, 2023**
Table at Perry Square: 12:30 PM – 5:00 PM (\$15.00)
March in parade?
Banner for table, AWP contact info
Needs assessment tools available for completion
- d. **Meadville Pride July 24, 2023 1:00 – 5:00 PM**
Upper Chestnut Street and Diamond Park
- e. **August 12, 2023** Pride Picnic Presque Isle

9. Suggested Contacts to be made with existing organizations

- a. GECAC – Mike M.
- b. Local Centers for Aging

9. Potential Future Events:

- a. Erie Zoo Day/picnic (Dale A. will get info on costs/reservations)
- b. Movie night: Erie Movie House (Jeff H. will get info)
- c. Clay Space
- d. Field Trips: Pittsburgh, Buffalo, Cleveland
 - (1) Art Galleries
 - (2) LGBT events
 - (3) Film Festivals