

Aging with Pride: Meeting Minutes April 30, 2023

Attendees:

Dale A Blane D Mike M Dawn
Marty S Pat Z Steve S Mike S

A. Aging with Pride: Current Actions

1. Website up and running Website address: agingwithprideerie.org
 - a. AWP meeting minutes to be sent for website posting
 - b. The AWP target age group is 50+
 - c. AWP includes provision for AWP Allies. (Friends, relatives, etc.)
 - d. Steve will check stats on website traffic to present for 5/7/23 mtg.
*Traffic stats may give an idea as to interest in the 6/10/23 launch.

B. Aging with Pride Book Club:

1. Event 5/20/23: 1-2 PM - Werner Book Store
2. Reading selection for May - **EIGHTY- SIXED** (David B. Feinberg)
3. Event posted to website.
4. Event announced in Erie Gay News April issue.
5. Club events will be scheduled on the 3rd week of each month.
6. Book Club selection for June 17, 2023 from 1-2 PM **Giovanni's Room.**
7. Pass June Book Club info information to EGN by 5/15/23
for May 23rd EGN issue.

Aging with Pride Launch Event: JUNE 10, 2023

1. Underdog Bar-B-Q venue, Saturday 6/10/23 from 4PM - 6PM.
2. Get final event info to EGN by 5/15/23 for June EGN issue.
3. Supplies for Event:
 - a. **Table topper** with AWP Logo and website.
 - b. **Business size cards** with AWP Logo, Mission statement: "Aging with Pride, an organization of senior LGBT+ members and allies develops and sponsors social/recreational and educational events to promote healthy leisure activities, community and an active/enjoyable lifestyle."), and Phone contact #: 1-814-455-4009.
 - c. **Banner:** 2ft. X 6ft. banner with pole pocket, AWP Logo and website printed on banner. Cost estimate \$ 127.47
Preferred vendor- Fast Signs ?

- d. Mike distributed estimates to attendees. (Kimkopy printing, Fast signs, Silk Screen Unlimited).
- e. 2 week turn around time for T- shirt orders
- f. Additional estimates for T shirts and banners will be obtained for co products and cost comparison.
- g. Funding for banner/table for other events to be determ

AWP Needs Assessment and Interest Inventory

- 1. AWP Needs Assessment Tool continues to be developed to promote Inclusion of as many senior LGBT+ characteristics in a respectful manner.
- 2. Per Pat. Final draft of Needs Assessment and Interest Inventory completed. Final draft is A one page, two sided survey.
- 3. Current editions of the AWP Needs Assessment and Interest Inventory will be available at the AWP Launch Event on June 10, 2023.
- 4. Communication with NW Pa Pride Alliance reveals AWP Needs Assessment and Interest Inventories can be sent to the alliance. Alex Sphon states completed inventories will be returned to AWP.

TO DO: send final copy od Needs Assessment to Alex Spohn.

- 5. Consideration may be given to including the survey with an edition of EGN
 - a. Will research cost. (check with Copy King, printer for EGN.
 - b. Consider manpower if AWP volunteers in folding of EGN

1. AWP Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- a. May 7, 2023 1:00 PM- Sunday
- b. May 21, 2023 1:00 PM- Sunday
- c. June 11, 2023 1:00 PM -Sunday (***Develop shift schedule to man the AWP table at Pride Perry Square***)
- d. June 26, 2023 **7:00 PM – MONDAY** (following PRIDE weekend)

2. 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)
Develop schedule for AWP members manning AWP Table at Pride.
March in parade?
Banner for table, AWP contact info
- d. **Meadville Pride July 29, 2023 1:00 – 5:00 PM**
Upper Chestnut Street and Diamond Park
- e. **Erie Jazz Festival Frontier Park August 4 & 5, 2023**
- f. **August 12, 2023** Pride Picnic Presque Isle

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