



R.K. MacDonald Nursing Home Council of Residents Meeting Minutes

Date: December 04, 2024

Resident's Present: Jane Gorman Co-Chair), Ann MacDonald, Jeannie McGee, Joe Tracey, Sara Melanson, Marilyn Rogers, Betty Theriault, Calvin Simon, Audrey LaFountain, Mike MacIntosh, Kalli MacDonald (Dietary), Terry MacIntyre (CEO)

Staff Present: Mary Partridge (Recreation, Co-Chair), Lee Kelly (Clinical Services), Catherine Bennet (Dietary), Tammy Ryan (Environmental)

Item	Topic	Discussion / Required Actions	Owner	Due
1.0 Safety	1.1 Call Bells	Brought forward from last meetings – Call bells are not always accessible. Residents say it is much better but they wish to keep this on the Safety List	Clinical Services	Next meeting
	1.2 Door Access	Brought forward from last meetings – doors to the main dining room continue to close too quickly when people are walking through. Update from Mark Chisholm – Door company was here 10 days ago and adjusted the timing. A sensor still needs to be replaced – no date for this at this time.	Environmental	Next meeting
	1.3 Garden Doors access	This issue is being resolved. The Fobs are ordered and confirmation will be needed to confirm they work for all outer doors.	CEO and Environmental	Next meeting
2.0 Resident Feedback/Concerns	2.1	Resident states that the meals are great		
	2.2	Several Resident states that they have no questions, all is OK.		
	2.3	Resident states all good, no complaints.		
	2.4	Resident asked how the trial run for serving liver went last month.		See Dietary

				update
	2.5	Resident wished to pass along that the Dietary staff are always very friendly and wishes to send a thank you to them.		
	2.6	Resident gives thanks to those involved for putting these meetings together.		
	2.7	Resident suggests wheelchair exercise for staff in order to judge where Christmas trees are set out and how people can maneuver around them. CEO suggested we bring back wheelchair Wednesdays in 2025.		
3. Departmental Reports	3.1 CEO	Re: staffing – there is a wish for more consistent staffing for the residents and residents have been asking about the moving of staff to different care areas. This is partly due (in recent days) to the large number of nursing students here right now and the staff ratios needed to be with them. The general contractor for the New Build will be known by end of next week. As a follow up from resident feedback, Peace by Chocolate will coming for the Dietary staff. CEO door is always open.	Terry MacIntyre	
	3.2 Food Services	The fall menu updates are in place with more soups and other comfort foods on offer. The trail period for liver as a supper choice went well. It will be served once a month as a second choice for those who like it. The Dietary team is in the process of training new staff members and a new cook. Be aware while they are learning, have patience and let them know if you see any mistakes. Suggestions to menu are always welcome. Christmas turkey dinner and a special New Year dinner is planned	Kalli MacDonald	

	3.3 Environmental	No update available		
	3.4 Recreation	<p>In November we continued to have our regular musical visitors to the Home and special guests joining. The Lions Club, Kinsmen and KOC clubs all were here for Club Bingos. Plans are in place for Christmas Bingos and parties. Chapel – Masses continue to be held every Friday along with United and Anglican services Wednesdays. Remembrance Day Service was held Nov. 7th in the chapel and we returned to an in-person Memorial Service on Nov. 19th, for the first time since the pandemic. Deborah Jenkins, our Wednesday Art Studio artist has taken pictures of many residents, staff and visitors for the special art project ‘Eyes, Diversity and Inclusion’. We will have updates on this soon. The launch of the RK Songwriting Project and album will be coming soon. Susan Walsh, artist is facilitating a Storywriting group on Tuesday afternoons with plans for a story collection at a later date. Our Service Learning group events have wrapped for the year with more to be scheduled in the new year. Many Christmas parties and events are scheduled for December. Lights of Love celebration on Dec. 8th. Loving the Lights Community Tour Stop will be Dec. 14th. Christmas Day and New Year’s Day mass will be held with Fr Andrew Boyd saying mass.</p> <p>We invite you to offer suggestions at any time for programming that you would like to see happening and we will certainly do our very best to make that happen.</p>	Mary Partridge	

	3.5 Clinical Services	No update available		
5.0 Date of Next Meeting:		11 AM - January 29th, 2025	Location: Rhubarb Patch	
6.0 Adjournment		Time: 11:55 AM		

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