



MN TRIAD

Minnesota Seniors & Law Enforcement Working Together To Enhance Senior Safety

"The Right Information And Direction"

MN TRIAD Meeting

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 @ 10:30 AM

Tobie's Restaurant
404 Fire Monument Road
Hinckley MN

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Pauline Fahey, Cass County, MN Triad Secretary
Julie Duehring, Brown County, MN Triad Vice President
Joan Plantenberg Witzig, Hennepin County – Champlin
Lynn Mueller, Champlin
Mickey Kimmes, Goodhue County, MN Triad Treasurer
Kelly Lake, Carlton County, MN Triad President

Jen Twombly, Aitkin County
Nancy Ruf, Hennepin County - Champlin
Tim Mueller, Champlin
Ray Kimmes, Goodhue County
Lisa Lovering, Isanti County

Kelly called the meeting to order at 10:39 AM and welcomed everyone! Introductions were made and breakfast was ordered.

Minutes and Program Updates:

Minutes from the last couple Zoom meetings were distributed and briefly reviewed. Attendees shared information about their programs:

Goodhue County started meeting in April and have a full schedule planned. They meet in one location.
Isanti County started up about six months again and has a full line-up of speakers. Lisa also shares crime statistics and other law enforcement and safety information at their meetings. They usually meet in the same location. They average 20-30 people at their meetings.
Aitkin County has just started meeting. They move their meetings around the county. They have 3 programs per year.
Champlin has been meeting quarterly and now they will be meeting monthly. They average 15-25 people, sometimes up to 35 when speakers.
Carlton County is not meeting yet. They move their meetings around the county.
Cass County is not meeting yet. They meet in one location.
Brown County is not currently active. They move their meetings around.

We talked about the number of Triad programs in Minnesota and the importance of getting all counties involved in this vital program that enhanced senior safety. We also talked about how more populated counties, especially those like Hennepin that have bigger Police Departments, may have more than one Triad program. Need law enforcement for a Triad program; however, it can be Sheriff's Offices or Police Departments. Discussion about other Police Departments that have Triad programs.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report was distributed and reviewed by Mickey. All agreed that the format was very informative and complete. Our balance is higher because of the money we've received from AARP for the Webinars. We do not have a plan for the money; however, we have not done fundraising on a state level to build it up other ways. We would still like to do a cookbook. M/S/P (Ray/Lisa) to approve Treasurer's Report.

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501c3:

Goodhue County has decided to keep the 501c3. There was discussion on which counties have a 501c3 (only Goodhue and Crow Wing that we're aware of). Counties are able to accept monies as a non-profit, as well as other organizations that will allow Triad to be under their umbrella (ie. Senior Centers). Do not have to be a 501c3 to accept monies; however, some organizations need that when donating money. Kelly will talk to Bill Hutton, the Minnesota Sheriffs' Association Executive Director, to see if we are still able to use their 501c3.

Update your Triad Information!!:

Included in the handouts was what the National Sheriffs' Association shows for Minnesota Triad programs. There are several programs missing and/or that need corrections. Pauline will send the list out to all Triad members with the minutes and ask that all groups take a few moments to update their information. Pauline will also include the form that needs to be sent in. We also have a list of Minnesota Triad contacts. Pauline will send this out for updating, also.

MN Triad Conferences:

Goodhue County is already working on planning the 2023 Conference! Thank you, Goodhue! We discussed the option of the motel separate from the conference venue, but all agreed it works much better for people to be able to stay where the conference is being held.

We discussed the possibility of an in-person conference this year instead of a Webinar. After much discussion, it was decided that there wouldn't be enough time to plan a full conference. Other options are still being explored, including a possible collaboration with AARP. Pauline will reach out to Jay Haapala at AARP and see if there would be any possibilities there.

Information Sharing:

Kelly thanked Pauline for all her work on the newsletter. Pauline thanked Mickey for handling the recipe section!! We will put out reminders on Facebook of the MSA Triad website link and re-sent out with the minutes. A reminder that we are always looking for Featured Members and submissions regarding what your Triad group is doing. We also talked about highlighting different Law Enforcement employees and their positions, which all agreed would be good.

File of Life:

We talked about the File of Life packets. We don't have enough interest in placing an order at this time. Kelly may be getting a grant for them in the near future and then we will contact other counties to see if they need to order, also. Pauline talked about Lifespark that has purchased FOL packets from Cass County. They originally contacted us from information found online and are very impressed with Triad. Information is reaching people!

Cards for Retiring Sheriffs:

Julie made cards for all the retiring Sheriffs, thanking them for their support of Triad and the seniors in their communities. We thanked Julie for her hard work on these! Julie stated she will also donate the postage to send these...thank you, again! Kelly will email Julie the names she knows of so far.

We will schedule our next meeting after Pauline talks with Jay.

M/S/P (Lisa/Mickey) to adjourn meeting at approximately 1300 hours.

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