

## MINUTES

### Simcoe Manor Family Council Wednesday, March 6, 2024 3 P.M.

**Present** – Rosa Athanassoulis-Programs and Support Services Supervisor, Debbie King, Susan Calder, Peter Verduin-Supervisor of Senior Services, Meagan Mabady-Lifemark Physiotherapy Pillars, Amanda Robitaille-AMPLIFI, Nualla Duncan, Patricia Tuddenham, Leif and Sherry Petersen

- **Welcome** – Susan Calder
  - welcome to new members Nualla Duncan, Leif and Sherry Petersen
  
- **Pillars of Physiotherapy Program** – Lifemark
  - four pillars of care – *Physiotherapy, Routine Care, Restorative Care, Recreation*
  - Meagan works with the Seniors Wellness Division Services in Long Term Care for Lifemark – Lifemark is involved with 150 Long Term Care homes comprising over 17,000 seniors
  - focus is safe mobility – minimize risks such as falls, skin breakdown
  - residents are reassessed on a quarterly basis. – physio assistants provide weekly updates to senior physiotherapist – physio assistants carry out daily programming
  - upon discharge from physio program, care continues through other programs in the Home
  - Home and Lifemark are also looking at ways to involve caregivers with physio programming for residents
  - additional private service can be purchased – residents or families can also choose other private (privately purchased) physio services if desired
  - a separate distinct physiotherapist completes assessments for assistive devices, e.g., wheelchairs, walkers, etc.
  
- **New Digital Information project** – Amanda Robitaille, AMPLIFI
  - AMPLIFI is a clinical information exchange project started by St. Joseph's Hospital in Hamilton to create seamless communication for doctors, nurses, hospitals, caregivers, Long Term Care facilities – at the present time it is only for hospital and LTC staff
  - March 12 – Simcoe Manor will be connected with Stevenson Memorial Hospital and Southlake Hospital
  - questions for Amanda can be directed to [amanda.robitaille@simcoe.ca](mailto:amanda.robitaille@simcoe.ca) and 1 705 726-9300, ext. 1716
  - consent for use of AMPLIFI must be obtained from residents/families during the admission process

- **Simcoe Village, Supportive Housing** - Peter Verduin, Supervisor, Senior Services
  - Ministry of Health provides funding for Assisted Living facilities
  - Simcoe Village currently has a PSW assisting residents from 7:30 A.M. to 9:30 P.M.
  - a recreationist manages activities for residents
  - congregant dining is available for 3 dinners a week, additional dinners can be purchased by residents
  - finding that apartment residents are now older than in the past because people are staying in their own homes for longer periods of time
  - rent is \$1600/month – 483 on current waiting list
  - residents have some assistance if required, some residents are quite independent
  - Village has its own Client Council – Peter will try to bring the Client Council President to the next meeting of Family Council
  - Peter also replied to questions about the New Construction – new LTC building and administrative building have been started
  - next Redevelopment Committee meeting is scheduled for April 22<sup>nd</sup>
  
- **Simcoe Manor security** – Rosa Athanassoulis
  - other Simcoe County homes have same security arrangements as Simcoe Manor
  - VON door is locked at 5 P.M., other doors are locked at 9 P.M. – doors are monitored by RN's who are required to complete circle walkarounds to view residents and staff
  - entrance cameras are installed in main office, and viewable by office staff during working hours
  - security meets current standards for Long Term Care
  
- **Approve Minutes from meeting of January 10, 2024** – Susan Calder
  - approved by Debbie King, seconded by Susan Calder
  
- **Treasurer's Report** – Susan Calder, Rosa Athanassoulis
  - account balance unchanged, February balance was \$739.20
  - cost of comfort tablet for palliative program will be shared by Residents' Council and Family Council – Rosa will make the purchase
  
- **Home Updates** – Rosa Athanassoulis, Programs and Support Services Supervisor
  - Residents' Council is currently funding three visits from the ice-cream truck for the spring/summer, palliative tablet, food for Therapy Dogs
  - Spring Raffle Baskets have currently made \$700+ - raffle closes on March 27<sup>th</sup>
  - Volunteer dinner is April 4<sup>th</sup> – all members of Family Council are invited – will be receiving an email from Volunteer Coordinator Alix Coutts
  - Ronjoy Deb has once again begun doing kitchen tours – Family Council would also like to tour the kitchen

- **New Business** – Susan Calder  
Please contact Susan through the Family Council email for issues that can be discussed at the next meeting.

***Meeting adjourned by Debbie King at 4:50 P.M.***

***Next Meeting,  
Wednesday, April 3, 2024  
3 P.M.  
Tea Room at Simcoe Manor  
Microsoft Teams***