

Beat the Odds Committee Meeting Minutes Petersburg Medical Center Conference Room Wednesday, April 5, 2022, 5:30 pm

Approval of Agenda: Joe moves, Marlene 2nd, all in favor

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Attending: Michele Parker, Julianne Thompson, Marlene Cushing, Beth Loesch, Jenny Martens, Joe Viechnichi, Bridget Wittstock, Cynthia Mathisen, Pia Reilly, Carin Christensen (notes), Brandy Boggs (guest)

New Business:

- Brandy Boggs (Home Health Patient Navigator) joined us during the meeting and, among other duties, is a great resource to help cancer patients and caregivers navigate patient care and apply for cancer support funds and services. BTO will put her name and statement in the Opening Doors brochure as a reference; anyone can email her with questions; does she have ideas about spending money in the future? She is hoping to get chore services working again - BTO recently allocated seed money, and we will see where that goes
- Jenny Martens will take over as treasurer for Desi
- Current balance of \$38,844
- PMC Foundation approved all of BTO's 2022 allocations
 - The appropriation to Lee's Clothing (\$1,000) was not enough to cover the cost of socks for Circle of Life (\$1587)
- BTO is invited to the health fair on **Saturday, June 4th**, from 10-1 in the community gym
 - **Marlene** will talk to Sonja and see if we can fill a gap
- New email: **beattheoddspsgak@gmail.com**
- **Julianne** has been looking over the Opening Doors brochure and will ask Ola about having a local copy for future updates (also look at website and make updates)
 - The brochure needs the following updates:
 - Cover
 - Add version history
 - Page 2 Our History
 - Redundancies in Our History paragraph
 - Update how often we meet
 - Page 3 Support & Services
 - Add Brandy Boggs services and contact (just title and name/# of office) at top
 - Delete PMHS
 - Update Cancer Support Group statement
 - Delete/update Cornerstone Home Health (no chore services currently)
 - **Julianne** will check with Rexall to see if wording is ok
 - Remove 'No Excuses paragraph
 - **Michele** will ask True North if wording is ok
 - Page 4 Committee

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- 'Spring' and 'Fall' events
- Page 5 Education & Resources
 - Looking good?
- Page 6 Travel Assistance
 - Drop phone # of First City
 - Update Wrangell's website and drop phone #
 - **Michele** will add QR code to brochure

Old Business

- Cancer Support Group is still on an as-needed basis and Jeigh Stanton-Gregor will lead if they meet
 - Group probably would not work without a facilitator
 - Are there other facilitators in town who could lead?]
 - What to write in the brochure?
 - Nice to have at same time and place so participants can make their choice whether to go or not
 - Also good for caregivers
 - Michele will talk with Jeigh about interest/availability in leading regular groups
 - BTO will continue covering Jeigh and Lea's costs to run the group
- Circle of Life **THIS SATURDAY, APRIL 23RD AT 9 A.M. - SANDY BEACH SHELTER**
 - 138 men's/women's athletic socks available at Lee's for \$15 registration
 - **Beth** will send Ola updated Circle of Life advertising form (done)
 - **Marlene** will talk to Orin about what to contribute for advertising (done)
 - Proofread poster (done)
 - Registration info and poster done by Friday, could do Saturday? (done)
 - **Joe** will modify PSA and add to calendar for radio (done)
 - **Michele** will put on FB and website (done)
 - 150 registration forms at Lee's (Registration has been slow) (done)
 - **Julianne** will make poster copies and hang posters at Pilot (done)
 - Desi key for storage locker, not back until 13th; **Jenny** will coordinate (done?)
 - Carin reserved shelter #1 at Sandy Beach; no restrooms available (done)
 - **Bridget** and/or **Pia** will ask Mindy about food (done?)
 - Julie Dahl agreed to make food (done)
 - **Pia** help will help with fire; **Carin** help set up registration table (will be done)
 - **Jenny** will bring tall hot pot(s?) (will be done)
 - Dino agreed to be the be the turnaround guy (will be done)
 - Andrea (and Kaili!) will warm up, provide music, and say a few thank you words (will be done)

Motion to adjourn: Joe