**CONNECTICUT CONTINUING CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Draft Minutes of the Meeting Held Via Microsoft Teams**

**March 19, 2021**

**Attendance**

The following members were present: Mag Morelli, Chair, John Johl, Peggy Joyce, Fred Langhoff, Andrew Nesi, Jennifer Rannestad, Keith Robertson, William Thompson, Jon Paul Venoit, Maureen Weaver and Rich Wysocki

Several members of the public were also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Morelli at 10:00 a.m. and the attendees were informed that the meeting was being recorded. She then welcomed everyone to the virtual meeting and introduced Peggy Joyce, the recently appointed member of the Committee. Ms. Joyce is the Vice President of Clinical Services at the Whitney Center in Hamden. Ms. Joyce, the Committee members and members of the public in attendance then introduced themselves.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the November 22, 2020 meeting were approved.

**Department of Social Services Comments**

Mr. Wysocki reported that there have been no major issues in the Continuing Care Retirement Community sector since the last meeting and that he was not aware of any proposed legislation this session that would impact the continuing care retirement communities.

**Around the Table Updates**

Ms. Rannestad reported on the positive outcomes of the recent vaccination clinics on the CCRC campuses.

Mr. Langhoff reported that he and other members of ConnCCRA are participating in a consumer focus group to provide feedback on the state’s planned Health Information Exchange.

Ms. Morelli reported that there were several proposed pieces of Covid-19 related legislation being raised in the General Assembly that would potentially impact nursing home and assisted living providers.

Mr. Johl reported that ConnCCRA still has not met since the start of the pandemic.

**Comments from the Public**

Gail Janensch, a resident of 3030 Park Watermark, reported that she is updating ConnCCRA’s Guidebook for Prospective CCRC Residents and will plan to update it annually. The update should be completed by September.

Ms. Janensch also asked about staff vaccination rates and a discussion ensued on the issue of vaccination mandates.

Joseph Walton, a resident of Seabury, raised the topic of operating costs and the impact of the pandemic.

Carol Issacs, a resident of Ashlar Village, informed the Committee of the various ways that the residents were receiving communications within the community. A discussion ensued of the commination methods on various campuses.

**Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting date will be June 11, 2021.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.