**CONNECTICUT CONTINUING CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of the Meeting Held at Masonicare at Ashlar Village**

**June 14, 2024**

**Attendance**

The following appointed committee members were present: Mag Morelli, Rich Wysocki, Jonathan Fink, Fred Langhoff, Renee Bernasconi, Maureen Weaver, William Thompson, Kathleen Dess, Jon Paul Venoit, Keith Robertson and Peggy Joyce.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Morelli.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the April 26, 204 meeting were approved.

**DSS Update**

Mr. Wysocki informed the committee that DSS just approved a new 14 bed small house style skilled nursing facility to serve Mozaic Senior Life’s new CCRC that will be built in Stamford in the next two years.

Mr. Wysocki provided an update on the posting of the disclosure statements and is hoping to have the postings updated very soon. He also suggested that the role of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman be included on the agenda for a future meeting.

**Review of Legislative Outcomes**

Ms. Morelli distributed and reviewed a summary of the 2024 state legislative session outcomes that related to aging services.

**Around the Table Updates**

The following topics were raised and discussed:

* The CARF accreditation process and its role in the CCRC sector.
* An update on one CCRC’s implementation of a culture of workforce empowerment.
* The residents’ conservation efforts and activity on one CCRC campus.
* The role of solar energy on CCRC campuses and the use of electronic vehicle charging stations.
* Recent articles in the WSJ related to CCRCs.
* The aging nursing home infrastructure and consideration of replacing, rather than renovating, existing nursing home buildings.
* The challenges of developing CCRC campuses, including the rising cost of construction.
* The proposed changes to Fitch’s U.S. Public Finance Not-For-Profit Life Plan Community Ratings Criteria and the impact it may have on future rating outcomes. This issue and the need to educate CCRC residents on the subject will be included on future agendas.

**New Business**

There was no new business.

**Comments from the Public**

The committee engaged the public throughout the meeting.

**Next Meeting Dates**

The next meeting dates are as follows: September 13, 2024 and November 15, 2024. The meetings will be held at Masonicare Ashlar Village in Wallingford.

**Meeting Adjourned**