## **Dementia Friendly Monroe County Coalition**

**Meeting Minutes for: July 6, 2023** 

**Attendees:** Emily Reitz and Toni Kenyon appeared in person at the Human Service Building. Kelsey Hanson, Janessa Peterson, Michael Bonello, and Sarah Snyder participated via Zoom.

Emily Reitz facilitated the meeting via Zoom.

## **Updates:**

Emily reviewed the Longest Day event which was held on June 21<sup>st</sup> at the Methodist Church. The event was well received by those that participated, with the feedback positive for the film and the conversation/discussion that took place. The attendance for the event was low and the coalition will be looking in to ways to increase involvement in the future.

## **Dementia Friendly Community Training**

Emily reviewed the Train the Trainer material for the coalition members. Emily has an established packet of material to conduct trainings in the community. This would be for businesses, community organizations, churches, or other groups interested in learning about dementia. It provides info and insight in to dementia and techniques to utilize in a business/community setting in the process of interacting with those individuals' experiencing dementia. Emily will keep track of coalition members that have taken this train the trainer 'course.'

The next meeting is Thursday, August 3, at 3:00. The meeting will continue to be held at the Human Service building, with the option to participate via zoom.

Submitted by:

Toni Kenyon