

The Council on Aging Board meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM on Thursday, August 1, 2013 in the Senior Center.

Members present:

Anita Benware

Sharon Bloom, Vice Chair

Irene Camerano

Constance Cleary, Treasurer

Sue Doucette

Mary Higgins, Secretary

Debra MacLennan

Peter Watson

Ken Day, Associate

Members absent: Barbara Foster, Chair, Ellen Sesia, Associate, Karen Phillips, Director

Minutes: Mary made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 6, 2013 meeting. Irene seconded it. All were in favor.

Meet with Don Jacobs, HR Director: Don Jacobs, HR Director came to discuss his role in town. He discussed the update in job descriptions.

Senior Center Building Committee Update: The Committee is still meeting. They are still moving forward with the property at Muddy Pond/Boutelle Rd.

Formula Grant Funding: Karen is sending in the Formula Grant to the state. There is money for printing/mailling the newsletter, subsidizing the yoga class, and paying for part of the Outreach Aide's salary.

Goal Setting: The Board agreed to set up goals every August to show where we want to go. Karen would like to start evidence based programming. This will involve questionnaires for different activities. There were discussions around police relations and adding one new program a year. Karen and Barbara will firm up the goals and present them at a later meeting.

Programming subcommittee: The Board has discussed setting up a subcommittee to brainstorm programming. Tabled until next month.

Yard sale: YAHOO was kind enough to give us a key to the shed for storage of items. Items are slowly coming in. We will need people to set up on Friday, September 20th, sell on Saturday, and clean up Saturday afternoon. The Board decided to also have a bake sale, as in past years. All board members are expected to help with some aspect of the sale.

FOSS Breakfast: The Friends group has tentatively planned for a breakfast at the Senior Center on Friday, September 27th in the morning. Time to be determined. The menu will most likely consist of pancakes, sausages, fruit cup, juice, coffee, and tea. They believe it will be \$2.00 a person.

Fall Conference: This year's MCOA conference is in Sturbridge on October 2, 3, and 4th. Karen and Nickole will be attending. If any board member is interested in attending, please see Karen before next meeting.

Evening game night: The board will be running evening game nights this fall. The dates will be Wednesday, September 11th, Wednesday, October 9th, and Wednesday, November 13th from 6 – 8 PM. We will have pizza as an added incentive.

MySeniorCenter update: Tabled

Topics for future meetings: office coverage training, activities

Director's Report: Karen was not here to present her report. Upcoming events: bone density screening on Wed the 7th, Ice cream social on Thurs the 8th, book club on the 22nd.

The warrant was passed for consideration and signatures.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 4:30 PM in the Senior Center.

Peter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Deb seconded it. All were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Higgins
COA Secretary