

May 5, 2022 **MONTHLY COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Notes taken/submitted by: Jody A. Santagate CLERK

-10:00 am meeting called to order (in cran cafe) motion made by Carolyn H, second by Marie R.

-Board Members in attendance: Sharon F., Jody S., Carolyn H., Missy K., Marie R., Lynn W-B..

-Board Members absent: Nancy S., Janet W..

-Guests/public in attendance: Sharon B., Muriel S., Missy D. (coa director)

Last month's Meeting minutes (April) were not voted/approved. Janet was PROTEM clerk for April, as Jody was absent due to sickness. Will be distributed at the June meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) Muriel Slaney is here from the Advocates of Wareham Seniors. She states they received a grant in the amount of \$3720.00 from the Community Events Committee.

"CEC"

-\$1000.00 of that grant money will pay for the advertisement of CEC logo on page 6 of the Beacon Newsletter. According to CEC event assistance guidelines-PLEASE NOTE: All funds awarded by the Community Events Committee come from a percentage of town parking and hotel/motel receipts. In order for the residents to see how the money is being spent, the CEC logo must appear on all literature, flyers, banners, etc.

*The remaining \$2720.00 will pay for the postage for the year May 22 thru May 23 of the Beacon. CEC meetings are the 4th Monday of each Month at 6:30 pm

-Muriel reports the advocates did not make a lot of money off of the raffle for the tablet, or scratch tickets at BINGO. She feels they make more by selling 50/50 raffle tickets at the BINGO. She will continue to do so moving forward.

-Laura Jo U is back at the beach w/ Yoga. She raised \$1500 for the advocates & \$1500 for the summer of love concerts previously, and hopes to raise the same this summer.

2) Veterans services donated a handmade afghan to the COA. It is a 68x50 red, white & blue striped. Currently it is on display in the Director's office. With the lack of security and lack of supervision by the main entrance, it's better kept under constant watch. Tickets will be sold at the COA and raffled on flag day 6/14/22. The afghan will be on display & patrons may also purchase raffle tickets at the Police event on 05/12/22

3) Triad returns on May 17th. We have asked the agent from Veterans services to attend if possible.

4) Wareham Days at Onset Beach/bathhouse is May 14, 2022. We will have a table set up. Sharon B has offered use of her pop-up. Jody and Sharon B at the table 10-12p. Missy K & Marie R from 12-2p.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Bingo is doing well. We have two new volunteers. We would love to have enough Bingo volunteers to hold Bingo twice a month.

2) We have asked Veterans Services to come to Triad meeting

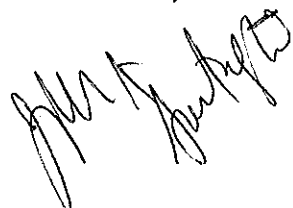
3) There is still an issue with space for our food bank storage. Boxes have also been opened, rummaged through and food goods taken out. IE; a person may take a sandwich from a box but nothing else. Carolyn suggests labeling each box w/ individuals' names. If the person does not come to pick their box of food up by Friday, then the box can be placed on the table inside the basement/blue room labeled "free or for anyone."

New Business:

1) The Coa has a new Volunteer Coordinator. This is a volunteer position. Lynne Uberti will be in charge of contacting the list of volunteers monthly. Responsibilities are; Discovering who can volunteer for what event/activity. Keeping a log of information given with names, phone number and hours available to volunteer. A central list of names will be made up and given to the clerk and director of COA for record keeping purposes. Moving forward, Lynne will be the point of contact for all volunteering. Carolyn mentions that the volunteer coordinator should also be looking to bring new programs/events/ideas in. We want to have new ideas, fresh outlook so that seniors who typically do not want to join the Coa will. Carolyn wants to point out the need to advocate for more programs, so we "are bursting at the seams here." Carolyn mentions the coa can't expect to grow if they are just content. Jody suggests looking/meeting with other neighboring Coa boards to see what events, new ideas work for them. To see what they are doing. Jody suggests collaborating every few months with other Coa boards so we can "All learn what works and doesn't."

2) Jody suggests taking a look at the bylaws within the next few months. She will send out a copy to the board members so they all have a copy. "If we are making new positions then we should update the bylaws to include the position, to make sure we have everything properly listed to keep on track." Jody states she knows this will take a bit of time and would like to discuss more in depth at the next meeting as well as discussion of COA social media and town website. Missy K will help w/fb.

Meeting adjourned 10:47am, motion by Carolyn 2nd by Missy K. Next meeting 6/2

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