

Minutes: Council on Aging Board meeting Monday January 4, 2016

Present: Chr. M. Cahalane, M. Scali, C. Bunyon, T. Dukas, J. Semuels, T. Olson, C. Lai UL 25 PM 2: 11

N.Niv-Vogel, Director

Absent: P, Schafer, J. Singler, E. Hamann

I. Meeting called to order at 7:30pm

- 2. <u>Secretary's report</u> –reviewed –Friends can focus on raising money for other needs if money for carpet to be replaced is not requested. Minutes approved
- 3. <u>Update and correspondence</u>: Now that we have a full-time custodian a weekly report will be given to Nava by Roy Elliott. The Fernald pool is now closed as of Oct. the High School is available (CORI checks are required) it is open Tuesday and Thursday mornings. A lifeguard is needed for this time.

Classroom B's storage area will be used for the interns who are working at the Center.

K. Fontaine has left the position at Vitalize Implementation.

<u>Vision 21's</u> comments were discussed. G. Durante is the Chairman of the committee if you have any comments or questions about the responses contact him. (some were negative).

We need more Intergenerational programming. We should invite G. Durante to come and speak to us about the responses.

<u>Friends of the COA</u>-J. Semuels reported Crafts Fair maybe change to before the weekend of Thanksgiving. Need a Treasurer since Anne Lougee is retiring.

<u>Springwell- no</u> report. Nava has approached S. Rosales to consider joining the Springwell board, E. Lubien was also mentioned by T. Olson.

<u>Belmont Center Planning</u>- J. Semuels reported no change will stay the same as planned the street is 17' wide hard for passing thru. Bricks will be installed on street, there is still a hill, wiring will be put in for a gate underground, when area is closed.

Stores are going out of business. Bank (BSB) will not change their parking. If parked in handicapped area need a placard if not can be ticketed.

<u>Facility Management</u>- Nava reported that the ducts need to be cleaned. No report on the mold situation.

<u>New Business</u>: M. Cahalane read the proposed letter to G. Boyle, Facilities Director for the Town, about the wet carpets and mold problem on the first floor, administration area and public area. The Duct system has not been inspected in 7 years. The Director (Nava) has asked about these concerns and has had no response.

The Lobby area needs to be replaced because ity is damaged beyond repair. We have ask for a timetable to address these concerns.

Nominating Committee report: the current slate be renewed:

Chr. M. Calahane; Vice -Chr. M. Scali,; Sec. T. Olson; Treasurer, J. Staton

No other nominations- the vote was unanimous for Jan. 2016 – Dec. 2016

The Director- Nava- presented the Fiscal year report: 2017

5.9% increase (one reason cost of health insurance with new employee.)

Accomplishments of the Board during the year: Board activities- analyzing rentals budget, work on Belmont Center-discussion of political campaigns.

<u>Library Feasibility Study Committee</u>: J. Semuels will represent the Senior Citizens on the Town Library committee.

Other business: discussion of the quality of the food at the Holiday dinner some negative comments.

Staff Appreciation Luncheon will be held in Feb. members of the Board will participate.

C. Lai has been invited to M.C. the Chinese New Year celebration on Feb. 2 at the Center.

Meeting adjourned: 9:15pm

Next scribe will be: E. Hamann- Feb. 1 and Mar. 7- need a replacement since Maryann did Jan.

Respectfully submitted: M. Scali