

**COUNCIL OF AGING BOARD MEETING
409 PLYMOUTH STREET
HALIFAX, MA 02338**

DATE of Meeting: January 17, 2023 9:30 a.m.
NOTE: Held every 3rd Tuesday of the month
Selectman Meeting Room – First Floor
499 Plymouth St Halifax

Members Present: Darlene Regan - Director, Josephine Schofield, Mike Rugnetta, Judy Rakutis, Sarah Sloat, Jean Gallant, Kimberly King-Cavicchi

Secretary's Report: Called to order at 9:37 by Jo Schofield
Reviewed Minutes of October 18, 2022
Jo Schofield made a motion to accept the Report from the September meeting Council on Aging Senior Board, seconded by Sarah Sloat, voted on and passed.

Budget Report: Darlene reported on:

- looking for data entry person
- \$5800 in revolving account/transportation
- Gifts and Activity account at \$12,000. which includes a gift of \$1600 from a community senior who passed away, This was raised from donations in lieu of flowers from Corrigan.
- discussion on the shortfall between cost of activities/instructors vs what fees are actually taken in
- looking for \$50k form the state for new building construction
- talk about museum refurbishment
- mtg w/church board members about cost of rental space for programs
- talk about a grief counselor

Correspondence:

- Ivy Matheny is resigning, citing health issues, letter forthcoming.
- Darlene accepted resignation letter from Jo Schofield
- Next newsletter to include search for more board members
- talk about required meeting attendance by board members, and removal from board after defined # of absences

Director's Reports: GENERATIONS –

- reports that lots of rules had been going unfollowed, and looking for more direction from secretary of state to be more rule based

- talk about adding a line item in budget for electric bill assistance for seniors

SHINE - no report given

OCES -

- expanded congregate lunch from 3 - 7 ppl
- there is no representative from Halifax on OCES board
- we need a case manager
- nutritionist to talk about medications and their reactions with food

TRIAD -

- ssi/ssp info turning 65 lecture

ByLaw/COA Policies Review:

- much discussion on revisions and updates, continued for finishing at the future meeting.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION AND OTHER BUSINESS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE CHAIR:

- continuation of art program grant
- COA board needs new Chair person
- fuel assistance
 - 130 applied
 - most were 56-100 yrs old
 - most were 78yrs +

Adjournment 10:52