

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

**DATE of Meeting:** March 21, 2023 9:30 a.m.  
**NOTE:** Held every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month  
Selectman Meeting Room – First Floor  
499 Plymouth St Halifax

**Members Present:** Darlene Regan - Director, Mike Rugnetta, Ruth Walters, Judy Rakutis, Sarah Sloat

**Secretary's Report:** Called to order at 9:37 by Darlene Regan.  
Reviewed Minutes of February 21, 2023  
Correction made that the \$3000 number was a negative, not a balance from the Feb minutes.  
Ruth Mills-Waters made a motion to accept the minutes, second by Judy Rakutis, voted on and passed.

**Budget Report:** Darlene reported on:  
- There was an internet fee discrepancy Darlene is looking into on the most recent report.

**Correspondence:**

- Massasoit Little Women play outing was enjoyed by all who attended.
- seminars with attorneys 2x/month
- Atty Schlosser, maybe others 3rd Fri monthly providing free council
- Writing from the Heart program on Fridays, your story matters, taught by new COA board member Ruth Mills Walters.
- talk about required meeting attendance by board members, and removal from board after defined # of absences. Letter to be sent to Kim to be removed from COA Board for lack of attendance at meetings.
- Need to post Outreach Coordinator job for LSW, pay rate does not seem to match what the candidates need for pay.

**Director's Reports:** GENERATIONS –  
- nothing new

SHINE - no report given

OCES -

- Halifax COA still not assigned a case worker

- not very responsive on a regular basis
- there is no representative from Halifax on OCES board

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#### TRIAD -

- Dave Thurston presentation on his Appalachian Trail trip
- June / Plymouth County Sheriff presentation

#### **ByLaw/COA Policies Review:**

- some discussion on revisions and updates, continued for finishing at the future meeting.
- Motion made by Mike Rugnetta to approve the Transportation policy, second by Judy, voted on and approved unanimously.
- Darlene to send clean copy of new COA policies for review and vote at April meeting

#### **PUBLIC DISCUSSION AND OTHER BUSINESS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE CHAIR:**

- Transportation - COA members must call COA, not drivers for rides.
- New board member Fred Corrigan from talent bank form to be joining.

#### **Adjournment 11:26am**