

COUNCIL ON AGING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
TOPSFIELD NEW TOWN HALL  
APRIL 11, 2017 4:05 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ruth Lucy, Martha Davis, Florence Brady, Elaine Crippen, Annette Cohen, Jolene Guerra, Bill Quinn, Charlotte O'Toole, Penny Rogers.

OTHERS PRESENT: Kathy Curran, Friends Liaison

I. MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FEB. 2017 MINUTES: Motion made, seconded, 9 ayes, 2 abstain.

II. DIRECTOR'S REPORT: ( Presented by Chair Penny Rogers in absence of Paula Burke).

- Town meeting is May 2nd. Warrant we should support is the one requesting the town take over to cost of rent for the COA activities space at Trinity Church. Presently, the Friends are paying for ½ the space use, \$300 a month.

Needs to be explained that that money depletes what can be used for programing. Rent is set until July 1, then may go out for bid for program space. Programs continue to do well at Trinity.

- Penny sent "thank you" notes to the men and women from West Point who were especially helpful during the recent COA trip.

- Technical help with Bambi will be 1x/mo. going forward. Paula has also helped seniors with their devices.

- A Masco senior student will be doing her internship with the COA in May.

- Coffee and conversation continues to be popular with different speakers each week. Trinity is happy that we're using their vacant rooms.

- The John Legend concert/performance is sold out. Had to be rescheduled and now is the same evening as Town Meeting.

- COA Trainings for Board members are coming to our area. Emmett will speak on May 12th in Newburyport. Let Penny know if you'd like to attend.

- Ella Gutowski, member of the Senior Care Board in Gloucester will be invited back at A future date to address our board with what's new.

LIAISON REPORT:

- Fundraiser to be held on May 4th at the Texas Roadhouse. Need to have flyer to get the 20% discount to go to the Friends of the COA.

Next BOD Mtg.: 4:00 at the new Topsfield Hall Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned at 5:32 PM after a reception with members of the Friends of the COA and the COA Board of Directors.

Respectfully submitted by Charlotte M. O'Toole

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