

**Scituate Council on Aging
Board of Directors Meeting
April 14, 2022**

In attendance: Board members: Chair J.D. Miller, vice-chair Susan Drevitch Kelly, Patricia Carleton, Dee Dwyer, Marie Fricker, Leslie James; Senior Center Director Linda Hayes. Liaisons : Elaine Schembari, Friends of the Scituate Senior Center, Joan Powers, South Shore Elder Services. Absent: Karen Canfield, Selectboard. Note taker: Pat Carleton

The meeting called to order at 5:06, early starting time due to scheduling conflicts with several members.

Minutes of March 10, 2022. Report submitted, reviewed, and accepted.

Staff guest attendee Erin LaMonte Outreach coordinator. She was initially introduced to board in January soon after she was hired. Director Linda Hayes, reports Erin's skill sets have been a great asset. Erin reported on progress she has made in collaborating with other service providers in town, getting to know many of the seniors on a one to one basis in the office, at the senior housing sites and home visits and coordinates with town social worker on an as needed basis. Erin has compiled and continues updating a file for frequently requested inquiries for resources in town.

REPORT FROM DIRECTOR

Building issues: Linda discussed minor issues - kitchen stove fan staying on, which is being addressed, some furniture/rug damage have been repaired; maintaining bulletin board. Planning board will be reviewing the parking lot study that has been gathered over several months. New custodian for both senior center and recreation department started this month. Senior Center Welcome Sign policy and its Standards of independence and General Policies for SC participation was reviewed.

Transportation report submitted.

Activities: The new VAN participated in the town's St. Patrick's Day parade. In 2022 there are 7 scheduled centenarian celebrations-after only one in 2021. Updated art exhibit schedules.

Outreach: As noted, Erin attended meeting. In addition, her full report was submitted.

Programs/Activities: see full report by activities & volunteer coordinator Jessica Souke.

LIASON UPDATES

Select Board: Karen Canfield not in attendance. Linda will be meeting with Select Board on April 26 to review building use policy.

South Shore Elder Services: Joan distributed a booklet, Corporate Strategic Plan, produced by SSES. March 2022 was the first in-person meeting of the board in two years due to COVID. The Mass Home Care Association, the umbrella organization for all elder services in the state has a new Executive Director, Michael Bonnelle.

FOSS: Elaine reports that they are held an event, sponsored and organized by FOSS, for a two-person play expected to be very entertaining featuring actresses playing Julia Child. Tickets limited to 75 and sold at \$10 are expected to sell out. Another program will be offered in the Fall, perhaps on Lizzie Borden.

ADJOURNMENT at 6:55

NEXT MEETING May 12 at 5:30 at Senior Center.

ADDENDUM

May 12 meeting was cancelled. Next meeting is scheduled for June 9 at 5:30.