

Scituate Council on Aging  
Board of Directors Meeting on  
**March 10, 2016 @ 5:30**  
Scituate Senior Center

In Attendance: Linda Hayes-COA Director, JD Miller, Dale Balog, Janice Lindblom

Absent: Gordon Price-Chairperson, Audrey Reidy-ViceChair, Marty O'Toole-Selectman Liason, Lucille Sorrentino, Pat Conway

Meeting called to order by acting chair JD Miller. Minutes of BoD meeting held on February 18, 2016 were not accepted at this time due to quorum not present to vote. Minutes will be addressed at next meeting.

**Board of Directors Report:** Linda Hayes presented the Director's report.

Community: Scituate Hoarding Response Team is planning an event for 4/30 at St. Lukes. This will be a community education event. This is through the Health Dept./Jen Keefe. The speaker, who suffered from and overcame the condition, comes from Western Ma.

There are new federal regulations to comply with for transportation drivers. A full-day audit was completed by FTA/Federal Transportation Authority. This is done for any agency using FTA funds. JD Miller asked how many drivers are used by the COA. Linda replied that there are 2 regular PT and another part-time to fill in. Another driver is needed with the new van and the position is posted.

COA is working with Kevin Kelly to bring the kitchen up to certified condition in order for it to be used a couple of times a month for meals. Dennis Coady is a new volunteer willing to help manage the kitchen.

Linda attended a breakfast meeting on GATRA at the Duxbury COA. Information for the Scituate Annual Report was submitted for publication. New exercise class starting this month funded by the MCOA but developed by the staff at the SCOA. Newsletter was also published. Representative from Liturgical Publications visited for a week to try to solicit advertisement for the newsletter for potential expansion. Linda distributed a copy of the revolving account, which was requested at the February meeting. Dale Balog commented that the account has always been around \$35-36,000. Linda stated that deposits have been received since July for \$4000+ without having to use for assistance. FY2017 COA Dept Goals and Objectives were distributed to board members. JD questioned the division of Social Worker's salary which is now split between COA and Board of Health (40/60%). GATRA has it's own revolving account and is no longer a line item in the COA municipal budget.

Also distributed were the Outreach, Transportation and Activities Reports.

Upcoming Events were also discussed.

**Liaison Updates:**

**SSES:** Joan Powers presented the SSES update. Monthly meeting was held 3/1 and the Governor's budget was discussed. Joan presented stats on the senior population growth over the next 10-20 yrs., 46%, and the needs of those seniors. JD commented that the stats presented mirror those of Scituate. Board training included "Independence Plus" which is a new program requiring MD from VA. JD added that the VA will help pay for some services for the veteran to remain at home v. nursing home care. VA provides funds for the veteran to spend on their care. Joan added to her report that St. Lukes is having their breakfast on 3/20.

**FOSS:** Pauline Souther presented the FOSS update. There will be a talk on the history of the Lawson Tower on 4/16 at the GAR hall. Donation of \$10 will be asked. Refreshments will be served.

**Old Business:** Linda spoke of the vacancies on the Board. Those interested can fill out the application and submit to the Board of Selectman. Appointments are made in June. There are two vacancies on the COA Board at this time. Dale requested a copy of the by-laws for the Board that could be made available. Linda stated that the by-laws could be updated by the Board. Currently a maximum of nine members are allowed.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 6:20pm.

Submitted by:

Janice Lindblom, Acting Secretary in absence of Pat Conway