

North Reading Council on Aging  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday Jan. 16, 2019 ~~Nov. 28, 2018~~  
Third Meeting House, Building on the Common

**Meeting** called to order by Joe Veno at 6:30 P.M. at the Third Meeting House, O'Leary Senior Center.

**Present:** Mary Prenney-Director, Joe Veno, Frances Cheney, Jennifer Collins, Kim Manzelli

**Absent:** Rich Wallner and Andrea Gladu

**Guest:** Kristine Pecora

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Minutes from Nov. 28, 2018, Meeting**

Motion to approve made by Frances Cheney and Seconded by Jennifer Collins ----unanimous

**Director's Report**

*See attached copy of Directors report for complete information*

- **Newsletters**

The Fall Newsletter (Meeting House Echoes) will be mailed out by the end of the month. A must read for all the new upcoming events and very important information. Please make sure you give it a read.....and save.

- **Friends of the COA**

THE FRIENDS will be once again doing their annual decorating of the Senior Center for the Holidays. They also will be doing their annual membership drive....see insert in the Fall Newsletter for application. This is the time to become a MEMBER!!! But any time is a great time to JOIN.... ☺

- **Community Impact Team (CIT)**

The team is holding various programs at the High School and Library concerning substance abuse. The SSAT will be busy hosting with Project 500 a Wellness Resource Fair being held Friday Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> at the Library. See Handout for complete information.

- **MVES**

The annual fundraiser for Meals on Wheels "A Bellyful of Laughs"---on January 26<sup>th</sup> is a sellout....! Thanks once again to all involved.

Mary Prenney will be asking the board to vote to re-appoint Michele Mawn and Joe Veno to a 3 year term to the Board of Directors of MVES. A motion was called to re-appoint...by Kim Manzelli and seconded by Frances Cheney. Unanimous vote was given.

Another item to be addressed is ....Jennifer Flaata who will need to be re-appointed for another term.

- **NRACT—Rich Wallner/Kim Manzelli**

The team is working on an Age Friendly Community. AARP Network of “Age-Friendly States and Communities” will be speaking at our next COA meeting on an Age Friendly Town which is a step in the right direction and one that we have been waiting for. Mike Prisco and Anton Watson are planning to attend along with some members of “The Friends”.

- **Promote the C.O.A.**

We are all continuously seeking new members.

- **Future Events:**

**November 29<sup>th</sup>—Budgeting Basics**

**November 30<sup>th</sup>—Wellness Fair**

**December 5<sup>th</sup>—DA Ryan-Scams**

**December 13<sup>th</sup>—Christmas Party**

**December 17<sup>th</sup>—Christmas Movie**

**January 24<sup>th</sup>—New Year’s Party**

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

None

**Adjourn: 7:30 PM**

Motion to adjourn made by Kim Manzelli and seconded by Frances Cheney----Unanimous

**Next COA Meeting scheduled for Jan 16--@ 6:30**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Frances Cheney, COA Secretary**