

Council on Aging Minutes

May 16, 2012

Chairman Snell called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. at the Senior Center in the presence of Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Veno, Mrs. Donato, and Mary Prenney, Director of Elder Services. Mr. Wallner arrived shortly after the meeting had been called to order, at 7:16 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Minutes of March 14, 2012

Motion by Mr. Veno, seconded by Mrs. Peterson Voted 5-0 unanimous

Director's Report

Mrs. Prenney spoke of the Summer Newsletter, which is being written by Katharine Barr and High School Senior Jeremy Cangiano; an all-time high of 57 for home delivered meals in North Reading the week of May 7, 2012; FY2013 Budget; and the Aging with Dignity Conference scheduled for June 6, 2012. She also discussed the Ryer's 100 year celebration, which was a great success. A full copy of the Director's Report is attached and available at the Senior Center.

Promote the C.O.A.

Mr. Snell attended the Friends of the COA meeting on May 14, 2012. The next meeting of the Friends is scheduled for June 11, 2012. It was suggested that the Council send a member each month to maintain a connection with the Friends Group. The Council will continue to promote the efforts of the COA.

Friends of the C.O.A. Update

Angela Mauceri, Vice President of the Friends of the COA attended the meeting as a liaison from the Friends Group. Angela reported on the activities of the Friends, including the success of the town-wide yard sale and day trips organized by the group (including Tower Botanical Garden in Boylston, the State House, and Lowell Canals). All trips are listed in the newspaper and at the Senior Center. An invitation will be extended again next month.

Resource Guide Project

The Group discussed the upcoming Resource Guide Summit scheduled for May 23, 2012 at length. The Group discussed the positive response to invitations, the current list of attendees, requesting short presentations from each entity represented and the meeting agenda.

Old Business

There was no Old Business discussed.

New Business

Mr. Veno informed the group that Mystic Valley Elder Services will be hosting an informational evening at the Wine Bunker in Reading on August 23, 2012 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 or \$15 for a couple. Mr. Veno also inquired regarding whether the Senior Center would be

offering vaccination clinics this year. Mrs. Prenney informed that the Board of Health may be offering a flu clinic this year.

Next meeting of the Council will take place on Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjourn 8:20 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Veno, seconded by Mrs. Peterson- Voted 5-0 unanimous.

Date Approved: _____

Sarah Peterson, Secretary _____