

Council on Aging Meeting
December 12, 2006

Attendance: Becky Moriarty, Brian MacLeod, Rita Vail, Pat Clark, John Shay, Al Ouimet, Shirley Gouvan, Mary Malinski, Deanna Vermette and Karen Leger

Absent: Virginia Schneider

Brian called **Meeting to Order** @ 8.35 am.

Secretaries Report: Reviewed and accepted.

Treasurers Report: Reviewed. Becky brought to attention the building maintenance fund will be challenged, as end of year heating costs are due to increase. Accepted.

Directors Report: New and Old Business presented by Becky – Accepted.

“Holiday Party a huge success!!”

Formula Grant: Towns Statewide will be affected by state cuts. Were due for an increase, when in fact current budget may be reduced. Becky suggests active campaigning through the MCOA (Mass Council on Aging), she will provide “speaking points” in the near future.

Welcome: To newest member **Karen Leger**. Thank you for joining.

Becky will formulate an invitation to Governor Deval Patrick, Brian Lees, Mary Rogeness to visit our center and discuss format.

New Business:

Directors Certificate: Becky pursuing state certification as director, meets (probably exceeds) all eligibility requirements: three years as director and Baccalaureate, significant portfolio – job description. Should be completed October, 2007.

Pat Clark and **Deanna Vermette** attended Greenfield Senior Center meeting regarding the role of the Senior Center in the community. They felt the presentation was excellent and shared many key points at meeting and presented each member with a manual “A Guide for Board Members” presented by Governor Mitt Romney’s office.

Myriads of Proactive ideas were presented: Marketing, Recognizing Volunteers to show thankfulness, Building Up the programs by distributing numbers of participants, etc., Fully know and understand our “job description” as members of Council and make public aware of same, utilization of town meetings to advertise our current forum, Committees – appoint at all opportunities for more effective planning and implementation of ideas.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 9, 2006

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Malinski, Secretary, Hampden Council on Aging