

COUNCIL on AGING MEETING
October 14, 2008

ATTENDANCE: Becky Moriarty, Brian MacLeod, Pat Clark, Al Ouimet, Kathy Foster, Rita Vail
VISITOR: Bill Olmstead

Pat called the meeting to order @ 8:35

Minutes of previous meeting accepted.

DIRECTORS REPORT: Accepted as read by Becky

TREASURERS REPORT: Reviewed and accepted.

OLD BUSINESS:

The By-law sub committee presented a draft of the proposed by-laws and changes. There was some discussion about the proposed changes and some questions were asked. What will happen with current COA Board members who have served for over 6 years? This question will be addressed at the next by-law sub committee meeting. Further discussion of the changes will be discussed at the next COA Board meeting. Members are asked to review the changes before the next meeting and come prepared with questions.

NEW BUSINESS:

Publicity and Marketing – Pat expressed concern that publicity is not what it used to be and feels that there needs to be a committee set up to help the staff at the senior center in getting articles and pictures to the newspaper. Kathy Foster, Rita Vail and Bill Olmstead volunteered to help. It was mentioned that the Wilbraham Hampden Times has a back log of photos that they are working on printing. And perhaps small articles would be published faster.

Bill Olmstead had a suggestion to keep a 3 ring binder in the senior center library with the COA Board meeting minutes so people can be aware of what happens at these meetings. The minutes are posted online, but not everyone accesses the computer. A motion was made that a binder be established. It was seconded and all were in favor.

Becky mentioned that there might be some cuts to the budget. The governor will be announcing cuts and Becky will let everyone know what they will mean for the senior center.

*****NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY November 13, 2008. PLEASE NOTE THIS IS THE 2nd
THURSDAY OF THE MONTH *****

Respectfully submitted:
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