

Dover Council on Aging Board Minutes Tuesday, May 5, 2015

PRESENT: B. Hagan, M. Dilg, C. Groman, C. Johnston, B. Murphy, G. Thisse

STAFF: J. Claypoole

GUESTS: M. Schmid, Springdale Study Committee; J. Hemstreet

Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m.

- A motion to accept the April 7, 2015 Board Minutes was made by B. Murphy and seconded by C. Johnston. All in favor. A motion to accept the April 16, 2015 Board Minutes was made by B. Murphy and seconded by M. Dilg. All in favor.
- The May 5, 2015 Treasurer's Report was distributed. The balance is \$13,431.19. A motion to accept the May 5, 2015 Treasurer's Report was made by M. Dilg and seconded by C. Johnston. All in favor. J. Claypoole reviewed the COA Revolving Fund - Activities/Transportation FY 2015.

Old Business

- COA Senior Bus – J. Claypoole reported the bus was in use for Town Meeting and will be available for Town election. Seniors have requested other uses for the bus besides the ones listed on the flyer. Seniors are asking for the use of the bus on Fridays to visit the foot doctor, attend afternoon tea, senior coffee and the blood pressure clinic. The MWRTA has requested a meeting to discuss using their Central Dispatch System which can handle calls 24 hours a day. The COA does not have the ability to log onto the Highway Department's system in order to better serve our seniors nor has info been posted in My Senior Center. We are not able to capture the seniors who do not receive service.
- Springdale Study Committee – M. Schmid reported the Building Inspector inspected the house for the potential use as a Senior Center. He said determination of modifications and laws are based on occupancy use. If the Senior Center designates the first floor for public use and the upstairs for non-public use, then an elevator is not required. The sub-committee's focus is more on housing than on a Senior Center. Housing is more viable, desired and advantageous considering the location. A survey will be sent to the town population in order to receive feedback. Please email any thoughts or concerns to J. Connelly.

New Business – There was no new business.

Ongoing Business

- Chairperson's Report – There are 2 benches at the rear of the Caryl Community Center. One bench should be placed in the front to replace the bench that is being repaired.

- Director's Report - J. Claypoole reported on the following:

Staffing Update – The COA’s Outreach Worker is on a medical leave of absence as of April 16. J. Claypoole will cover his workload. The yoga instructor’s last class is May 13. J. Claypoole will ask G. Pugatch if it is possible to have a temporary employee before hiring a replacement. A Total Body Stretch class might replace the Yoga class until a new yoga instructor can be hired.

Programs – The process has begun to find grants for Matter of Balance classes which will be partnered with another community. The Zumba Gold instructor will begin a Strength and Stability class for six weeks. The following programs will not take place during the months of July and August: Blood Pressure Clinic, Afternoon Tea, Community Lunch, Mah Jongg and Zumba Gold.

Summer Hours – Town Summer hours begin May 22nd with Fridays closing at 1PM.

Rep. Denise Garlick – Rep. Denise Garlick, House Chair of the Joint Committee on Elder Affairs, has invited J. Claypoole to meet with her, regional COA Directors, and David Stevens, Executive Director of MCOA.

- CMAC Report – There was no report.
- BayPath Report – There was no report.
- Travel Committee – C. Johnston discussed trips to the following locations: Heritage Gardens in June, Tanglewood in August and Roseland Cottage in October. She also outlined several other possibilities.
- Board Member Items – B. Murphy reported the Julia Ruth House in Westwood will bring tea to us for our June Afternoon Tea at no cost. The Elvis impersonator pictures from the April lunch will be placed on the Facebook page.
- Friends of the COA – M. Dilg reported Lifetime Learning classes are in the black. She asked for volunteers to help with the deposit bottle recycling during the month of May at the Transfer Station.
- **Citizen Comments** – There were no citizen comments.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by B. Murphy at 11:30 a.m. and seconded by C. Groman. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Dilg
Secretary