



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
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COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD MEETING
Monday August 9, 2021 at 12:30pm

Meeting called to order by Paula LeBlanc 12:34 p.m.

Present: Harvey Holm, Theresa Rogers, Donna Foisy, Donna Charron, Harriet Fischer, and Director Cindy Sullivan

Absent: Carol Laughlin and Jack Poci

No Public Comment, Peter Currier from newspaper in attendance.

Minutes reviewed and accepted. Motion made by Theresa Rogers and seconded by Donna Charron, accepted unanimously.

New Business:

Update from COA director - Reopening began August 2nd with morning coffee and in person dining.

To make everyone comfortable due to things changed around in center including new awning in the dining room (Wick Café), a Welcome Back celebration event is scheduled for September 9th. This will be the 1st event held inside. A tent will also be set up outside.

The Welcome Back day will consist of 4 special events and attendees will receive a raffle ticket at each event for 4 gift baskets. Seniors do not need to attend all events but will receive a raffle ticket for whichever event they attend.

1.) Coffee Hour 8:30am-9:30am

Enjoy coffee with a Mrs. Murphy donut and view the large Memorial banner of all those lost during the closing of center due to pandemic. This display banner includes staff, volunteers and seniors who we lost even if it was not due to Covid.

2.) Meet and Greet 9:30am-11:00am

Meet Police Chief Landis, Fire Chief Anderson, new Veteran's Representative, class and exercise instructors and others.

3.) Lunch and Ice Cream 11:30-12:30 REGISTRATION NECESSARY

Enjoy lunch sponsored by Southwick Fire Dept and Ice Cream sponsored by Moolicious. This is not a grab & go. Go inside and be educated on fire safety and awareness.

4.) Open Crafts 1:00pm-2:00pm
Several projects will be available.

A new Employee position, Benefits/Activities Coordinator, has been filled by Cara Cartello. There are 10 trips already planned. Both Cindy and Cara will be taking training classes for SHINE.

Director's Evaluation

A letter was created for Cindy Sullivan's evaluation and approved by the COA Board Members.

Update about Programs:

Dining room - Grab and Go lunches still in effect as pick-ups and dining inside with reorganized tables. We will continue with Highland Valley Grab and Go hot lunches as long as state supports.

Brown Bag - Second Tuesday of month, volunteers continue carry bags to car from garage.

Transportation - Both vans are running and picking up for trips and appointments. Masks still need to be worn.

Finances - In good shape after spending on some new equipment. Grant money still left.

Classes - Will be starting in September indoors at \$2. New Chinese Language class is being supported.

Any other New Business:

None

Old Business:

None

Motion to adjourn at 1:05pm by Donna Charron seconded by Theresa Rogers, accepted unanimously.

Next Meeting, Monday, September 13, 2021 at 12:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Foisy

