

December 9, 2013, Minutes Senior Advisory Committee

Attendees: Sharon Taylor, Patricia Jenkins, Penelope Allen, Jacqueline Neill, Jere Beckman, Shirley Walker, Nancy Ryan.

Meeting came to order at 9:05.

Carole Dennis, our liaison person with the Select Board, was not able to be here today as planned. She requested in writing answers to these questions: 1. Does the committee have a mission statement? If so, can you forward it to me? (Yes). 2. What is the capacity of the committee in terms of the funding and the time commitment of the current members? (No answer and asked for clarification of this question). 3. Does the committee have any vacancies? (None—all terms expire in March, 2015). What other organizations within town has the SAC worked with to provide programing? (Lee Library. Lee Rec. has visited with us—no collaboration other than we made a few suggestions). 5. What age is the current programming targeted to? (Age 50 and up).

November minutes corrected and approved.

Jacqueline reported that we have \$701.00 in our treasury.

Old Business: (1) Discussion centered around a Direct Mail Permit that would cost \$249.00 if we chose to use that service for mailing out the senior tri-fold brochure to all households in Lee (1600).

New Business: (1) SAC and the Lee Library will co-sponsor a program that helps to explain Medicare. It will either be held at the Library or the Safety Complex sometime in January. We will try for a daytime hour if the presenter, Harvey Epstein, is available. (2) Discussion to find new programs that might interest men, as war/battle history. It could be informal with participants discussing their own experiences or book reviews of war/battle history. Great Books Foundation was mentioned as a format as it has ready-made topic discussions—this was dismissed as it was felt a less formal format would work better for our purposes. Dale Hardy, commander of VFW was a person we could elicit help from with this program. (3) Jere will be looking into help from the state for Seniors Helping Seniors.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15.

Shirley Walker