

**COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD**  
**REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**Veteran's Memorial Building, Rm 19**  
**2900 Main Street, Millis, MA 02054**  
**MEETING NOTES FROM May 8, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER: Mary Skilling called the meeting to order at 9:03 am. The following persons were present:, COA Director Patty Kayo, Secretary Helen Daly, Bill Brown, Maria Neville, Carol LaFreniere, Kaplan Hasanoglu

Secretary's report accepted with two minor corrections.

Motion to accept report made by Bill, seconded by Helen

Treasurer's Report

- Currently we have extra funds in the Formula Grant due to being without a dispatcher for 4 months. Patty will reconcile funds from the Towns supplies and postage lines to the Formula Grant.
- She has requested that drivers be added to the Personnel Plan – it would be up to them to request union coverage.
- Transportation Revolving account now shows approx. \$9,000 which reflects donations received for a new vehicle. Since we did not receive a Transportation Grant, could we use this amount toward the purchase of a new vehicle? We could continue fund raising to cover the additional cost. Bill suggests that we wait until we could get a good deal on a new 2015 model at the end of the model year.

Motion to accept report made by Bill, seconded by Helen

HESSCO Report –

- No report from Maria as HESSCO meeting does not occur until next week.

Outreach report-

- Carol has heard of more scams on seniors re: electricity. She will cover information in June's newsletter.
- Other Senior Centers are offering Noir Eyewear (used for night vision driving). The cost is \$10.00 – Patty will ask the Friends if they will front the initial cost for an order of approx. 20 pairs. Carol will post availability in the newsletter as soon as the first order is received.
- The craft ladies asked Carol for new cabinets for Rm 18 – suggested we ask the Friends to cover the cost.
- Carol has been doing a few Meals on Wheels deliveries – just to check in on some seniors to make sure they are doing well.

Motion made to accept made by Bill. Seconded by Helen

Director's Report

No Director's Report this month

Chairman's Report

- Floor has been repaired and cleaned in Rm 18 and in the entrance hall. Cost to replace floor in front entry and Rm 18 is \$365 – work being done by Northeast Commercial Cleaning Corp, Norfolk. Friends have offered to pay.
- Need to get someone to move pool table out of Rm 18 – it was too heavy for the custodial staff.
- Mary asked what happened to the electronic Bingo program. Patty and Michelle need to put some time in working out the program – will try to have it up and running the last week of June when the Friends have offered a \$25.00 pot in an effort to draw people to Bingo. Suggested that we try to get some High School students to run Bingo for the summer months.
- Mary asked if the vans could take people to the Volunteer Luncheon – COA to offer transportation to the luncheon.

Motion made to accept made by Bill. Seconded by Helen  
Old Business:

- Mother's Day Tea has 30 people currently signed up.
- Volunteer Luncheon at Sky Buffet, Milford will be held June 5<sup>th</sup> at 12pm

New Business:

- Kaplan will take notes for the next meeting as Helen will be away
- Sliding scale coverage for HESSCO referrals not worth the time it takes for Patty to comply with their requirements. We have not had a referral from them for 1 ½ years.
- Horseshoe backboards are missing – there will be no horseshoes at this time – on hold until we can get new boards.
- Amy Schram from the Better Business Bureau will speak on June 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am at the Senior Center. She will address issues of scam offers flooding senior's mail and phones.
- Carol has volunteered to talk to both Eleanor Harkins and Linda Byer regarding their participation in COA meetings. She will ask Linda to send a letter of resignation to the Board of Selectmen as soon as possible in order that these positions to be filled. It was suggested that we make Eleanor an "Honorary Member" so that she will still have a connection with the board.
- Maria volunteered to be a member of the COA board if needed and Kaplan believes his wife Sarah would also be willing to serve.

Motion to adjourn made by Bill, Seconded by Helen

Meeting adjourned at 10:20

**Next COA Board Meeting: June 12, 2015 at 9:00 AM**