

**Seekonk Human Services
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, August 27, 2012 @ 3:30pm**

Attendance: Christine Allen, Beverly Della Grotta, Rene Andrews, Vicki Kinniburgh, Anne Libby, Anita Gendron, Guy Boulay, Bernadette Huck (Director), Ashley Pimental (Senior Secretary)

1. Open Meeting at 3:31pm
2. Introduction of new member: Guy Boulay
3. Approval of Minutes from July 23, 2012
 - a. **MOTION:** Anne made a motion to accept the minutes from July 23, 2012
 - b. **SECOND:** Rene seconds the motion
 - c. **VOTE:** Chris (aye), Beverly (aye), Rene (aye), Vicki (aye), Anne (aye), Anita (aye), Guy (obtained)
4. Old Business
 - a. Bristol Elder Services (BES)
 - i. Donald Kinniburgh volunteered for the BES Board and was accepted by BES
 - b. Women's Breakfast
 - i. Vicki would like to start the breakfast again as soon as possible
 - ii. Bernie said they will get different speakers to go to the breakfast
 - iii. The board suggest to try a brunch at Alex's on Route 6
 - iv. Chris would like to see more of a blended crowd
 - v. Put Men's Breakfast on the next agenda
 - c. BINGO
 - i. Price of BINGO machine cost \$129.00
 - ii. Seekonk Housing Authority would not let Human Services borrow their machine for BINGO
 - iii. Bernie asked for a volunteer to run BINGO, Rene volunteered
 - iv. Anne said to contact Rehoboth, Swansea and East Providence Council on Aging to inform them of BINGO
 - v. BINGO will be Thursdays from 1pm – 3pm starting September 20
5. New Business
 - a. Fall Activities
 - i. Arts and Crafts
 - ii. Tuesdays is Chef on a Shoe String
 - iii. Wednesdays is informational activities and cards
 - iv. Thursdays is Phyllis's art class and BINGO
 - v. September 13 is the Plymouth Harbor Cruise for \$69
 - vi. Advertise Kennebunkport overnight trip for December 7 – 8
 - b. Formula Grant
 - i. Emmett approved the use of the grant towards a grant writer for the Senior Center
 - ii. Most grant writers are already booked
 - iii. Bernie is seeking a grant writer out of Boston
 - iv. The grant writer will receive between 7 – 10k

6. Directors Report

- a. Seekonk Total Fitness Monday and Thursday for \$1
- b. Instead of Wii exercise we will try Wii bowling
- c. TRIAD: Stop & Shop Peapod
- d. Ashley stated that Peapod employees are insured and bonded, Peapod is out of Mansfield, MA
- e. Chris think the explanation for Peapod sounds like free advertising
- f. Next Monitoring, Inc. will be doing a program in October on how to save on utility cost
- g. Vicki wants Bernie to stay on track with her report, she doesn't want the newsletter to be voiced it should be things that have happened in the month

7. Board Members

- a. Rene wants to review the cable rules for airing the meetings
- b. Guy wants to know about seniors receiving newsletters
 - i. Seniors 55 and older who request the newsletter receive it by mail or website/e-mail
- c. Chris talked about the ethics exam, that has to be completed by all board members
- d. Bernie is attending the MCOA Conference October 2-5
- e. Chris made a statement on how Loretta called Chris about the Seekonk Commons water bill, Chris said the water department needs to be contacted from now on with any concerns

8. Next Meeting

- a. Monday, October 1 @ 3:30pm
- b. Monday, October 29 @ 3:30pm

9. Adjourn

- a. **MOTION:** Anne made a motion to adjourn at 4:29pm
- b. **SECOND:** Guy seconds the motion
- c. **VOTE:** Unanimous