

Wellfleet Council on Aging
Minutes of Board Meeting
Monday, Sept. 23, 2002

Present: Frank Corbin, Dennis Cunningham, Faith Driggs, Russell Holt, Priscilla Jenkins, Betty Kimball, Shirley Lauffer, Richard Orell, Jacqui Wildes/Director

Absent: Adele Anderson, Arno Masters, Steve Pechonis

Secretary's Report: Meeting was called to order at 12:10 p.m. by Dennis Cunningham, Chair, who asked if Secretary's minutes had been read—with no changes, Frank Corbin made a motion to accept the minutes with a second from Betty Kimball. All Ayes.

Chairman's Report: Copies of the by-laws, with changes noted in blue, were sent to members by Jacqui for review and will be voted on at the next meeting. Dennis read the names of the slate of officers for the year 2002/2003. Dennis Cunningham/Chair, Faith Driggs/Vice-Chair, Priscilla Jenkins/Secretary. Betty Kimball moved to accept slate of officers with a second from Frank Corbin. All Ayes.

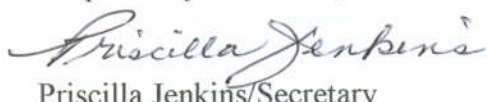
Director's Report: Jacqui brought members up to date on new C.O.A. building; ground broken, site cleared and graded. Will take three weeks for concrete slab to cure—then rapid progress should take place after that. All phone lines and all major systems in. Jacqui said budget stable at this point. Time line from builder posted on wall at C.O.A.. Jacqui attended annual meeting with the Friends who have several fund raising ideas. Letter to go out maybe in November requesting donations---money needed in key areas like kitchen and landscaping. Jacqui has requested the Friends pay for a landscape plan to see what is needed—steep grade on land could be a problem. Bake sale down-town made about \$1,000—T-Shirts all went and many cook books! Jacqui involved in two projects—one is Cape and Islands Care Giver and Assessment Project---a survey will be going out to all Cape and Island residents to find out what caregivers and elders need. Jacqui is hoping for good response to the survey—the second part is hiring an organizational psychologist to bring agencies together to be more effective as a unit. Outer Cape looking for a new, larger site. Discussions going on in Town for possible land swap or maybe building on new C.O.A. site. Jacqui working with a group on the outer Cape to bring a program called PACE to this area—hooks senior center up with a health care center so frail elders can stay in their homes and get the services they need. PACE has never been tried in rural areas, only cities. State has passed a new law for elders who would like to stay in their homes, instead of a nursing home—would have to qualify (must have Medicare and Mass. Health)—funds would go towards care in home. Forum Meeting on Oct. 24th. Will include topics on new Senior Center (including what programs people would like to have there), and Outer Cape Health. Jacqui may not be able to attend and requested some representation by COA members. Transportation needs are increasing and a real problem. Some Selectmen thinking it is time to look into acquiring a Van , but this would probably take a couple of years to get this going. “Adopt an Elder” program discussed—Richard Orell suggested this to Jacqui. Teams of

two volunteers taking on one person—helping out with various things like telephone calls, or visits.

Policy and procedures for new building will be on the agenda for future meeting. Dennis Cunningham made a motion to adjourn at 1:15 p.m. with a second from Faith Driggs.

Next COA Meeting on Monday, October 28th at 12:00 Noon.

Respectfully submitted,



Priscilla Jenkins/Secretary