

**Franklin Council on Aging
January 10, 2023**

Members Present: Bob Crowley (Chair), Jan Jewett (Vice Chair), Ken Norman, Faith Flaherty, Janet Jewett, Lester Quan, Phyllis Malcolm, Bob Kaufman, Kimberly Mu-Chow.

Excused: Lyn O'Brien (Secretary),

Also Present: Danielle Hopkins (FSC Director), Christina LaRose (FSC Deputy Director), JoAnn Wright (FOFE President)

Absent: None

Meeting started at 10:02 am

Minutes from meeting on December 13, 2022: Approved as amended.

Citizen's Comments: None

Correspondence:

- Danielle Hopkins announced an undirected \$1500 donation from Fletcher Hospital Corporation.

Directors Report: (Danielle Hopkins) (See attached report for additional info and details.)

- Christina is covering for Social Services Coordinator until position is filled,
- The Social Coordinator and the Program Coordinator position each received about 50 applicants. First review of applications in progress.
- AARP Tax support appointments are filling fast.
- January 20th Police Turkey Dinner is already filled with a wait list.

Chairman's Report: (Bob Crowley)

- Winter Wonderland was moved indoors due to potential inclement weather. Consensus was the indoor venue allowed more mingling and interaction among the approximately 100 attendees.

FOFE Report: (JoAnn Wright)

1. Praised the Winter Wonderland event although the net funds raised was less than hoped. Felt that planning should start in September for next year's event.
2. Over 9000 annual fund-raising mailers were sent out using a town list. Returns are starting to be received.
3. Currently mailing about 1000 newsletters per month. Continue to encourage email delivery or in person pick-up to minimize mailing costs.

Old Business:

- **Goals for This Year Review**
- Housing Committee (Kim, Faye, Phyllis) still gathering information, attending meetings and identifying contacts. Suggested that the Housing Committee be a monthly agenda item to enable progress reporting.
- Health Expo Committee (Ken, Ron) planned for the September / October timeframe.
- General Involvement (all) As schedules allow, it was felt that each COA member should be involved in some FSC activity each month. Could include assistance in FSC events or providing feedback by attending FSC activities.
- **COA Manual**
- Town Attorney Welcome Letter finally approved and will be distributed at next month's meeting. Danielle and Bob to draft a 'welcome to the COA; letter as well.
- Remaining items to update: Organization chart showing FOFE and COA relationship, updated FSC policies and procedures,

New business

- Danielle indicated that the 80 for Brady movie poster in the lobby is a promotion from the film distributor. Gillette Stadium will be having a movie day to show movie for 15 of our ladies.

Comments:

- Requested that Bob/Danielle provide current committee assignments at next meeting
- Requested that contact list be updated at next meeting

Motion to adjourn by Jan, second by Ken and approved, meeting adjourned at 10:55 am.

Next Meeting: February 14, 2023 10:00 am, Franklin Senior Center

Respectfully submitted by Jan Jewett on behalf of Lyn O'Brien, COA Secretary