

Needham Council on Aging

June 14, 2012

Minutes

Present: Susanne Hughes, Carol deLemos, Colleen Schaller, Mary Elizabeth Weadock, Dan Goldberg, Andrea Rae, Eilene Kleiman, Lianne Relich.

Absent: Roma Jean Brown, Scott Brightman

Staff: Jamie Brenner Gutner, Sherry Jackson.

DISCUSSION:

I: Call to Order – 7:00pm - Suzanne Hughes

Susanne Hughes, Chair, called the June 14, 2012 Council on Aging Meeting to order

II: Sue Temper, Executive Director of Springwell, was invited to address the COA Board. She discussed the Four Core Programs of Springwell. They are: Mass Home Care Program, the Personal Care Attendant Program, the Adult Family Care Program, and the Group Adult Foster Care Program. A question and answer session followed Ms. Temper's discussion.

III: Approve Minutes:

The minutes from the April 12, 2012 had not approved due to lack of a quorum. Eilene Kleiman made a motion to approve the minutes. Colleen Schaller seconded. The motion carried with one abstain.

The minutes from the previous meeting May 10, 2012 were approved. Colleen Schaller moved to approve. Mary Elizabeth Weadock seconded. Motion carried with 3 abstains.

IV: Chairperson's Report:

Susanne Hughes was thanked for her many years of service as Chair of the Council on Aging. The Board expressed appreciation for her dedication and leadership.

V: Nominating Committee's Report:

The Nominating Committee recommended two Board Members to step into the position of Co-chair. Colleen Schaller and Carol deLemos have agreed to accept the position of Co-Chair. The Board thanked them for their acceptance. Dan Goldberg

moved that the position be filled by Carol deLemos and Colleen Schaller. Mary Elizabeth Weadock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VI: Friends of the Needham Elderly, Inc. Report – Roma Jean Brown

The Friends are actively seeking ads for the Compass. Many donations are coming in for the new Senior Center. Funds are dwindling to the FONE group which routinely helps to support programs and services of the Council on Aging Department to include the publication of the Compass and support of the Van. Active efforts are needed for their fundraising.

VII: Springwell Report:

The offices will be moving in the fall due to lack of space. The local area is being surveyed and the possibility exists that they might move to Waltham. An Executive search for a new Director is in active mode. Mary Elizabeth Weadock will keep the Board informed moving forward.

VIII: Various Committee Reports:

The **Steering Committee** of FONE has become the Fundraising Committee. The Committee is in the active mode of fundraising for the new Senior Center. A fundraising event is targeted for October 2012.

The **Visibility Committee** did not have an update.

The COA Board entered into a discussion regarding a possible name for the new Center. The name “The Center at the Heights” carried favor with the Board.

It was decided to participate in the rescheduled Street Fair in June.

During summer hiatus, an Executive Committee consisting of Carol deLemos, Colleen Schaller and Susanne Hughes will make any necessary decisions.

Andrea Rae made a motion to adjourn. Eilene Kleiman seconded the motion. The Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Lianne Relich