

COUNCIL ON AGING
BOARD MEETING MINUTES June 10, 2004

Present: Brunetta Wolfman (Chair), Greg Howe, Gerry Brennan, Florence Alexander (Alt.) **Others:** Val Carrano (Dir. COA), Vern Wilson (Friends)

Absent: Anita Berman

Meeting called to order by Chair at 3:05p.m.

Minutes from the May 13, 2004 Board Meeting were approved as corrected.

Correspondence:

- Gladys Johnstone sent a letter of resignation from the COA Board for personal reasons. It was received with regret. A letter will be sent to her thanking her for all her services on behalf of the COA. Another letter will be sent to the BOS asking that Florence Alexander be approved as a full member of the Board to replace G. Johnstone. We must now look for an Alternate to replace F. Alexander.

Director's Report:

- Congratulations to B. Wolfman on being selected Provincetown Senior Citizen of the Year. A Luncheon will be held in her honor at the COA on August 10 and will include the Board, family, and friends. Diane Corbo will cook and hopefully there will be some entertainment.
- The art changeover in the dining room was delayed and will now be held on the morning of July 9th. Notice will be posted in the NEWSLETTER.
- SALT disability indicator forms can be gotten from the PPD dispatcher.
- Last year the Film Festival rented out our red cushions for their Forum.
- We currently have 288 seat cushions and Nick Robertson will make a donation of \$300 to use them for the upcoming Film Festival. He will also put a donation bucket out for COA donations.
- Diane Fabbii of WOMR, as part of a radio program with HOW, interviewed the Director about senior services available at the COA.
- In August, the Director will be coordinating a Wellness Fair along with the VNA in room #10. Gosnold and Independence House will have reps available and blood pressure and cholesterol screenings will be available.
- It was noted that BANNER requests for announcements to be printed are going without results.

Friends:

- F. Alexander announced that the Memorial Day Bake Sale took in \$924 – a record! The Board was much appreciative of her hard work. G. Brennan e-mailed the BANNER to print a note of thanks to all who participated in our success. The same note will be placed in our NEWSLETTER. Since the beautiful afghan only made \$34 it was decided to hold a second raffle at the Labor Day Bake Sale.
- Senior Event expenses for the month were \$562.

SALT Council:

- The DECIDE Program will be rescheduled for Sept./Oct. because of little response.
- G. Howe will pick up about twenty-five 911 phones from the Police Dept. to be handed out to those needing them. July NEWSLETTER will ask for people to call who are interested in these phone and beacon lights.
- Regarding the TRIAD/SALT Beacon Light Program, the PPD sent in their promised \$200, the Lions Club sent in \$500, and the Canteen sent in \$200. This is enough money to buy 250 beacon light bulbs and a partial distribution to the PPD to obtain new lock boxes. They have a zero balance on hand.
- G. Howe stated that things should now slack off from May to October.
- G. Howe said he would check on the camera promised the COA for the "safe return program".

Old Business:

- 2 Month Calendar:
 - July 4 – Parade with Senior of the Year Car. G. Brennan/G. Howe to help decorate car and V. Carrano will locate decorations.
 - August 10 – Senior Citizen Luncheon for B. Wolfman.
- G. Brennan and G. Howe will apply for their Board Positions for another term in December.
- Motion made and seconded to approve the COA Board's 2004 Goals. The Goals will be printed in the NEWSLETTER.
- B. Wolfman attended another Community Visioning Session – again little turnout. Survey results will appear in the BANNER. They are revising the 2004 Vision. She has volunteered to write a popularized version.
- Wed. Lunch update: a little better attendance but this is an ongoing project to attract more attendance.
- No stove appointment made with Days as yet.
- Still need volunteers for SALT Board.

New Business:

- B. Wolfman talked to Vernon Porter about meeting with the BOS and he suggested two dates to meet with the COA Board. The COA Board chose July 12.
- Barbara Rushmore sent a letter asking if the COA Board would like a 6-foot bench to put in front of the building to people waiting for a ride. The Board is considering this proposal but has different ideas as to where a possible bench should go.
- B. Wolfman will put Judith Wurtman in touch with the Director. She is an MIT scientist/researcher and has a Spa in Newton, and would like to give a talk or lead a discussion on nutrition and obesity.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35p.m. **The next meetings will be July 8, 2004 at 3:00p.m. in room #10 of the Grace Gouveia Bldg.**

Respectfully submitted,
Gerry Brennan, Secretary