

HANOVER COUNCIL ON AGING

Minutes of the Regular Advisory Board Meeting September 12, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Hanover C.O.A. Advisory Board (Board) was held on Monday, September 12, 2016 at the Hanover Senior Center. The meeting was called to order by Donald Buckley at 9:00AM. Six members were present: Donald Buckley, Richard Farwell, Claire Flynn, Thelma Litchfield, Eleanor Kimball and Carol Mattes. Roger Leslie was absent. Additional attendees were Anthony Marino, Assistant Town Manager and Community Services Director, Robyn Mitton, Hanover Elder Services Director and Nancy Lester, administrative assistant at the Hanover Senior Center.

The minutes from the August 8, 2016 Regular Meeting were accepted.

Old business

- 1) Robyn showed the Board the plaque honoring Board members who have passed away. It will be placed on the rock at the side of the building.
- 2) The glass partition for the administrative area has not been installed yet. Anthony Marino will speak with the facilities department.
- 3) There continue to be problems with moving the folding wall room separators.
- 4) The drought has resulted in deterioration in some of the landscaping around the building. Robyn will contact the Eagle Scout to find out what his plans are and make alternate plans if needed.

New business

- 1) September program highlights include: Shake Your Soul on September 14, an information session by the school building committee and light lunch on September 19, on September 21, author Anne Jolles will present "The Grace Trail" and lunch will be provided, a Health Fair will be held on September 23, a new book club at the senior center will start on September 28, and Art for Your Mind begins September 30. The first Brown Bag food distribution will be held at the senior center on September 15. The Town of Hanover will hold its fourth Community Cookout at Town Hall on September 28 from 2PM-6PM.
- 2) Currently, there is no permanent custodian at the senior center and a few temporary custodians are filling in.
- 3) Robyn showed the Board a copy of the Party Guidelines that will be printed in the October bulletin.
- 4) Robyn has an open door policy regarding meeting with people during the day. However, she will be unavailable from 2PM-4PM in order to complete paperwork.
- 5) The Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC) is conducting a survey from September through December. The goal of the survey is to assess the needs of senior and prioritize

funding based on those needs. Robyn will be distributing copies of the survey so that Hanover seniors can communicate their needs.

- 6) Anthony Marino will contact the consultant who worked with the James Curtis Library on their strategic plan and try to set up a date in October to get the Hanover Senior Center strategic plan started.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00AM.

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, October 17 at 9:00AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Lester

cc: Hanover Council on Aging Advisory Board Members

Robyn Mitton, Hanover Elder Services Director

Town of Hanover Selectman

Anthony Marino, Hanover Assistant Town Manager and Community Services Director