

Town of Hudson Council on Aging

Minutes for 5/3/23 COA Board Meeting, Hudson Senior Center, 29 Church St. Hudson MA

A hybrid meeting was called to order at 1:00 by Patricia Desmond; Chair.

Members in attendance through a roll call; In person; Trisha Desmond; chair, Diane Durand; Recording Secretary, Charlie Corley, Ed Silveira, Janet Saluk and Janice Long; Director.

Attending via zoom; Nina Smith; Treasurer, Tony Monteiro, Melissa Esteves

Members absent; John Gill

Guests; In person; none

Trisha asked for any additions to the **Agenda** presented. Receiving none, a motion was then made by Charlie Corley to accept the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Ed Silveira and the vote was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Trisha called for any corrections to the **Minutes** of 4/12/23. Receiving none, a motion was then made by Ed Silveira to accept the Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Diane Durand and the vote was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

The Treasurer's Report;

- Nina noted the Operating budget's balance to be \$9,712.47. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Ed Silveira, seconded by Janet Saluk and the vote was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

The Director's Report:

Activities/Programs

- Janice mentioned Social Service numbers as 119/69 (unduplicated vs duplicated seniors being assisted).

- Janice questioned the lower April numbers with fewer seniors partaking of the Center's offerings. Tony questioned the availability of Arthur Bergeron's programming online, on You Tube and the monthly newsletter. Janice will check.

-Janice noted the following for activities;

The upcoming scheduled "80 for Brady" is very popular and may require 3 showings.

Line Dancing has 29 people signed up for Beginners and 18 for Beginners Plus

AARP volunteers serviced 189 seniors.

Self Empowered Living will begin in May with 15 people signed up.

Seniors will enjoy a Father's Day meal in June catered by Buffet Way.

Janice is working with Virginia on scheduling summer trips.

Daybreak continues to do well.

-Janice is considering utilizing grant monies to offer technology training which would assist seniors possibly at the Center, town library and/or elderly housing. Tony mentioned focusing on one specific aspect of technology usage each session to make it more comfortable for seniors.

Outreach Report

-Janice shared with members several cases the staff has been assisting to secure medical treatment and/or appropriate housing.

Bus Driver's Report;

-John Wesinger, our newly hired part time bus driver, has begun and will be driving two days per week along with assisting Lennie on busy days.

A motion was made to accept the **Director's Report** by Charlie Corley and seconded by Ed Silveira. The vote was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Facilities Committee:

-Janice has a meeting scheduled with the person who will be repairing the railings.

-Janice mentioned that she has contacted Eric Ryder about the need for the ramp to be resurfaced. Diane pointed out that the sidewalk adjacent to the pavement as well needs repair.

-Ed Silveira noted that several of the overhead lights which are out in the great room have not yet been replaced. Janice will follow up on this issue with Ray.

Friends of the Hudson Senior Center:

- Janice met with Friends President, Jackie Kapopoulos, regarding the Friends interest in pursuing an covering with sides for the ramp, awnings for the back deck and a copy machine. They decided to meet with Tom Gregory to further the discussion.

Correspondence: none

Old Business: none

New Business:

-The following nominations for officers for the upcoming year were submitted;

Ed nominated Charlie Corley for Chair

Janet nominated Diane for Vice Chair

Charlie nominated Janet for Recording Secretary

Ed nominated Nina for Treasurer

A motion was made by Charlie Corley that nominations be closed. The motion was seconded by Diane Durand and the vote was unanimous by roll call vote. Tony reminded Diane to send out a letter to all Board members regarding the voting taking place at the June 7th meeting. Janice offered to host lunch for members.

Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn at 1:34pm by Ed Silveira, seconded by Diane Durand and the vote was unanimously approved by roll call vote. The next meeting is June 7, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Durand