

TOWN OF SUDBURY
COUNCIL ON AGING
MINUTES OF MEETING
September 8, 2016

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Present: Chairman: Jack Ryan

Director: Debra Galloway

Members: Bob Diefenbacher, Patricia Tabloski, Barry David, John Beeler, Alice Sapienza.

Absent: Melissa Immonen, Carmine Gentile

Guest: Bethany Hadvab, Town Social Worker

Meeting called to order by Chair Jack Ryan at 3:15 PM

Minutes of July 14, 2016: Accepted. Moved Beeler, Seconded Sapienza.

Bethany Hadvab updated the COA regarding the services she provides as the town social worker. See attachment 1.

Directors Report – Galloway - 1. Fran Bakstran from BayPath would like to attend our meeting to get ideas and gain input from Sudbury COA. Chuck Woodward will attend in October and Fran in November. A representative from B'nai B'rith will attend our meeting in December. Guests will be rescheduled if needed. 2. Deb is recruiting for the information specialist position. 12 resumes have been received so far. 3. Meeting with Christine Allesandro for the Alzheimer Friendly Community project. A presentation will be made to the selectman in October. 4. Friends of the COA are moving forward to electing a secretary and president. A meeting will be held on Sept. 15th.

BayPath Liaison Report – Tabloski - Major changes made to BayPath budget based on state budget cuts. There will be a waiting list for services with the most vulnerable patients receiving priority for care. Additionally reimbursement for miles travelled and organizational contributions to the retirement fund will be scaled back. COA members expressed concern.

Transportation - Galloway - Deb attended a meeting with Needham, Natick & Framingham COAs to discuss the Uber project with Metrowest Foundation. Natick COA is conducting a pilot and coordinating Uber rides using the Dashboard. Discussion ensued.

Needs Assessment – Tabloski – Draft discussed – see attachment 2. Motion: Jan Mutchler will be invited to informational meeting to discuss need assessment

methodologies with the Sudbury COA. Moved: Sapienza. Seconded: Barry David. Motion passed.

Nominating Committee – Diefenbacher. Two candidates interviewed for one vacancy. Motion: Recommend Bob May to finish open term on COA – vote to recommend to the Board of Selectman. Moved: Diefenbacher. Seconded: Beeler.

Intergenerational – Diefenbacher. LINC (Learning Intergenerational Community) is underway. Senior Volunteers to meet at Sr. Center and train for new sessions. Program will begin in October. Dates/outline/promotional video regarding the program are planned. Deb will coordinate and recruit Senior volunteers. Now 6 sessions, grades 3,4,5. Training will consist of 75 minutes of instruction. Sessions will be held in mid October through November at Noyes, Haynes, and in winter/spring at Nixon and Loring schools.

Fairbanks Update- Ryan- New Fairbanks Planning committee is now meeting. Sam Merra presented an update of recent activities. Discussion ensued. Chair Ryan will keep us informed.

Date for Next Meeting – October 13, 2016 at 3:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn by Bob Diefenbacher and seconded by John Beeler.
Meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Patricia Tabloski, COA Board Secretary