

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ABINGTON COUNCIL ON AGING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2009

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Abington Council on Aging was held on Wednesday, July 15, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. In attendance were Chairperson George Whiting, Vice Chairperson Marie Brown, COA Director Mary Beth Lawton, and members Joe Iacobucci, Elizabeth Keefe, Betty Slinger, Karen DiLorenzo, Ann Welch and David Klein. Chairperson Whiting called the meeting to order and solicited comments from Mary Beth regarding her monthly Director's Report. Mary Beth began by explaining that she has been having a difficult time finding an individual to take over the front desk position vacated the end of May. She reiterated the criteria for the Citizens for Citizens position; i.e., (income for single person cannot exceed \$13,000, \$16,000 for a couple, person must be age 55 or older. Mary Beth pointed out that Rita isn't interested in the front desk job and further that Rita has advised her that she will be retiring the end of the year. Ms. Lawton will speak with Rita to explain options for her so that Rita could maintain her present MOW position and be paid by Citizens for Citizens. She will keep the Board posted.

In other matters Mary Beth reported that the Nintendo Wii will be installed soon by Jason Libby; that Bingo appears to be going well and is better attended; that a new yoga instructor has started teaching; that computer classes and the quilting class are suspended for the summer months; that the new meals vendor, Lindley foods, has been working out well (diabetic foods are now available during the summer months); that she continues to finalize plans for the "Seniors on the Move" program scheduled for September 14th; that there will be no charge for the inserts that will appear in the November newsletter as a Salute to Veterans.

David Klein gave an update on the Taste fundraising event scheduled for Saturday, October 17th . Many ideas were exchanged and Mary Beth will discuss this in more detail at the Friends' meeting next week.

A discussion on comments regarding the Director's job description ensued. Mary Beth made note of the few minor changes and will forward these to the Town Manager for his approval. Subsequently Marie made a motion that to accept the job description as amended, Karen DiLorenzo seconded and all were in favor. Mary Beth will forward the revised document to the Town Manager and provide copies for the Board at the next meeting.

Betty Slinger made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 15, 2009 minutes as presented, David seconded and all were in favor.

In closing, Mary Beth made note of the fact that Jerry Corcoran and Tim Corbett would be speaking at the Tuesday COA luncheon regarding the impact of the proposed override ballot question.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen A. Wall

Recording Secretary