

MINUTES OF THE GRAFTON COUNCIL ON AGING MEETING
August 13, 2009

Members present: William Drago, Chairman, Marcella Benoit, Secretary, Phyllis Brown, Barbara Gardner, Rev. Phil Goff, Chet Jakubiak

Members absent: William Cutler, Vice-Chairman, Winifred Paul

Also present: Barbara Connelly, Secretary/Bookkeeper
Roland Richard, FOGE President
Renee DesRosiers, Guest

Also absent: Michelle Drumm, Senior Center Director

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by William Drago, Chairman.

Bills were signed by members present.

Secretary's report was reviewed by members present. A motion to accept as written was made by Rev. Goff, seconded by Barbara Gardner. So moved.

The Director's/Financial Report was not available as Michelle Drumm was on vacation.

Barbara Connelly, Secretary/Bookkeeper, gave a review of the events at the Senior Center.

- Past:
 1. The last meeting was June 11, 2009.
 2. The Senior Prom was June 9, 2009. Successful event.
 3. Grafton Night Out was August 4, 2009. Large attendance. COA gave out dental products. Excess will be donated to the troops. COA provided the clown.
 4. WRTA funding remains the same as last year. Grafton is on the list to get a new van as the one we now use is a 2002 model.
 5. Series of computer classes now running.
 6. Seven nurses responded to the advertisement for nurses to do blood pressure checks.
- Upcoming events:
 1. Tony Merenda's last day will be August 27, 2009. There will be a farewell party for him at 1:00 p.m. There are 13 applicants for the Outreach Worker position.
 2. September 9, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., there will be a program on "Navigating Challenges of Elder Care".
 3. The van is now taking Seniors to the Farmer's Market.
 4. The Organ Social will be celebrating its 4th Anniversary on October 13, 2009 at 10 a.m.
 5. The Registry of Motor Vehicles will be presenting the program, "Shifting Gears" on September 15, 2009.
 6. Lee Bartlett Orchestra will be here on Tuesday, October 27, 2009 at 10:45 a.m.
 7. The Lee Bartlett Chorus will be here on Weds., November 4, 2009 at 10:45am.

A motion to accept the report as given was made by Chet Jakubiak, seconded by Phyllis Brown. So moved.

William Drago discussed the number of members on the Council on Aging. We currently have eight members and will remain at eight.

Chet Jakubiak is the Interim Executive Director of MAOA until the end of October. September 24, 2009 is the 40th anniversary of MAOA, and there will be a celebration at the Radisson Hotel, Stuart St., Boston, MA.

FOGE Update:

1. There will be a FOGE Supper tonight at 5:15 p.m. Meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m.
2. At the last COA meeting, it was requested that FOGE funnel the donations for the sunroom. Due to a lack of quorum, this could not be accomplished. It is on the agenda for tonight's meeting.
3. GotBooks.com delay is due to the lack of information requested. This information was found on the Internet, responded to, and the container is here. Reading books, CD's, DVD's and VCR's are allowed. Magazines, schoolbooks, encyclopedias and reference books are not acceptable.

A motion to acknowledge the FOGE update was made by Phyllis Brown, seconded by Chet Jakubiak. So moved.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rev. Phil Goff, seconded by Phyllis Brown. So moved.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be Thursday, September 10, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. in the Craft Room of the Senior Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcella Benoit
Secretary