

SENIOR CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – JULY 11, 2024

Present: Doug Field, Janice Wright (Ashfield); Ellen Eller, Janice Fleuriel (Buckland); Suzanne E. Bishop, Nancy Brewer, Sylvia Smith, Penny Spearance (Shelburne); Director Juli Moreno. Absent: David Collins, Mary Mosley, Roy Rudolph, Joanne Soroka, Wayne Wickland.

(David didn't sign attendance sheet)

Chair Nancy Brewer called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Sue Bishop moved to accept the minutes of the June 2024 with corrections; Janice Fleuriel seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Treasurer Sue Bishop reported that the Center has received \$10,000 from the SCF. Although there were cost increases, as expected, she said "it looks like it will all work out."

In her Director's report, Juli Moreno said we've signed a one-year lease with the Masons. Masons from Greenfield may start coming here, and someone asked if the lease can be renegotiated if there is increased use of the facility.

Juli said she's trying to be sure the Center has a presence in all three towns, especially for special events. She said we have a new van from the FRTA and she hopes to hire a new van driver. Also, as part of the Vision Project, it was suggested that we partner with other Centers.

Sylvia Smith reported that the Board of Managers (BOM) is still working on bylaws and still trying to find a Fiscal Agent.

The Vision Project is a group of people thinking about creating a regional "Community Campus" involving schools, senior centers, etc. to address needed community services. Timing will relate to the schools' feasibility study re: what they need.

The Ashfield COA had an indoor picnic as its first meeting chaired by Janice Wright and honored Doug Field for his many years of service.

The Shelburne COA reported that the main thing they discussed was what they should be doing regarding the role of COAs with the BOM.

Outgoing Chair Nancy Brewer called for election of officers. Penny Spearance moved that we approve the entire slate, and the motion carried unanimously. The new officers are:

Janice Wright, Chair
Janice Fleuriel, Vice Chair
Suzanne Bishop, Treasurer
Joanne Soroka, Assistant Treasurer
Ellen Eller, Secretary

New Business: Penny suggested the COAs get together to plan upcoming Conversation Cafes, and we agreed. Nancy asked if we could take off the month of August. The board agreed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, Sept. 12, 2024, at 3 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen Eller

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