

COA minutes

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Lancaster Council on Aging Minutes

November 8, 2018

Attendees: Alix Turner, Jay Moody, Frank MacGrory, Jo-Agnes Santangelo, Marilyn Largey, Nicole Kanis, Michele Macdonald, David James (friends)

Meeting called to order at 9:10.

September minutes approved. Motion to accept made by Michele, seconded by Nicole.

Next meeting is Wednesday, December 19th at 9.

Friends update: David James reported that the friends currently has \$17,569.62 in its checking account.

Chairman's updates: Jay and Michele will work on the survey in order to have it completed by December to be included in the census mailing. There has been progress of removing medical equipment from the stage.

Director update: Fitchburg Health is interested in sponsoring next year's health fair. Alix said three sponsors would be needed to cover costs such as banners, lawn signs and possible table rentals. Other potential sponsors are Reliant Health and Fallon. Nicole suggested not seeking sponsors so that the tight banner printing timetable could be avoided. Social media and flyers would be generated. Halloween on the Green was successful using social media platforms. Alix aims to have invitation letters to attendees out in January.

Personnel issues: Donna will be staying until the new hire is on board. Alix interviewed a possible replacement who has administrative skills. The applicant ideally wanted full time employment. References are being checked.

Netflix has been moving and damaging items from the Center. Alix has unsuccessfully sought info on how to get reimbursement for losses. Netflix is filming in the gym the Wednesday before our Thanksgiving meal. They have said that they will be wrapping up by 4 allowing us to get set up done.

Thanksgiving with Friends: set up will be Wednesday, November 14 after 4:30. Volunteers are needed the day of the meal from 10 on. Desserts will be needed for the dessert contest.

MCOA update: both Marilyn and Alix said the conference was very worthwhile. Marilyn mentioned innovative programs used by other senior centers. TRIPP is one such program. One senior outreach tracked the dollar amounts found per senior for assistance such as fuel assistance, insurance which did not cost the town any monies.

Alix reviewed other possible computer systems to track senior usage. Though the programs cost more than the current, My Senior Center, they can also include newsletter publication.

COA board members will go to selectmen and finance committee meetings. Updates and good news will be touted. Questions about grant applications can be made.

Respectfully submitted,

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