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Board / Committee: **COUNCIL ON AGING**

Meeting Date: July 14, 2022

Time: 3:30PM

Meeting Location: Norton Senior Center ,

Members & Staff Present: Ruth Schneider, Maryann Dempsey, Kathy Eno, Pat Zwicker, Carol McLaughlin,, Paula Raneri, Ellen Martins, Beth Rossi

Secretary's Report - ~~Motion made by Kathy, seconded by Carol; to accept the June minutes..~~ Unanimous vote to approve.

Treasurer's Report - Motion made by Maryann, seconded by Carol to accept the Treasurer's report.

Old Business: ~~Ruth announced that the Pride Lunch and the Father's Day lunch were both very successful. She thanked everyone who helped at both of these events.~~

New Business: Carol Kollett has been accepted as an alternate member of the COA Board. Ruth asked if anyone would be interested in setting up a committee to try and obtain new members for vacancies on the Board. Kathy suggested it would be good to get some younger ~~members on the Board.~~ ~~Motion made by Kathy, seconded by Maryann to have a New Member Committee.~~ Ellen and Paula volunteered to serve on the committee. Ruth brought up issue of whether we really need both a Mother's Day and Father's Day Luncheon, or if they could be combined. Discussion on pros and cons, and it was decided to leave them as they are for now. We will plan on trying to get more help with these events. ~~Bill Byrnes offered help from the Friend's Group.~~

July Leroux has resigned from the COA Board. Motion made by Pat, seconded by Paula that we send a letter to Select Board that we make Judy Leroux and Emeritus member of the Board. Motion carried unanimously. Paula made a motion, seconded by Maryann to have Ellen Martins move from alternate to full member. Motion carried unanimously.

Beth has worked ~~hard to get a marketing grant to get the information out to the~~ community about our Center. Three post cards have been sent out, advertising the services we offer. One of the missions of grant was to reach caregivers who are caring for older parents. She has T-shirts and other materials have to pass out. She will come up with some ideas as to how they should be distributed. Ruth suggested a letter be sent to Lauren Rossi, thanking her for all her hard work on the grant. Kathy made motion, seconded by Maryann, ~~that we give out t-shirts to exercise classes and volunteers.~~ Motion passed unanimously.

Paul Wanamaker has advised Ruth that he will be resigning from the Board.

Friends of the Norton Senior Center: Bill thanked everyone who worked on the BBQ. ~~It was a great success. He passed out a list of Friend's upcoming activities.~~

Permanent Building Committee Update: Beth reported that the cost for the new Center has gone up by \$500,000. She attended the last meeting and many things have been deleted. The Committee refused to even discuss the issue of the commercial kitchen that we feel is needed. Ruth will request a meeting for Beth and the COA Board to meet with Town Manager and Town Accountant to discuss what exactly can be done.

Director's Report –

ARCA money available, and Beth and Estelle, Veteran's agent, are working on getting a bus. It is presently out for bids. Kelly Brophy will be back for all classes, except "Zumba, in August. DTA money coming in and Beth may do a pop-up farmer's market.

Motion made by Kathy, seconded by Maryann to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 pm.
Unanimous vote to approve.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Patricia A. Zwickler

Minutes approved by the Board or Committee on: _____

Chairman Signature: Ruth Schneider