

Amesbury COA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2024

In Attendance: Arthur Levine, Chair; Maggie Miller, Vice-Chair; Lawrence Leahy, Treasurer; Kliggie Thomas; Nicholas Costello; Tom MacLachlan; Allison Rice; Doreen Arnfield, Director

Guest: Mary Lee Ford, FCOA President

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the June 13, 2024, meeting was reviewed and accepted as presented. Motion to accept the minutes made by Kliggie, second by Maggie; unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Larry reported expenditures from the Misc. Grants account of \$48.24 for CPR Training, leaving COA with an ending balance of \$13,371.00.

Doreen reported the COA has received two large grants. The first is the BHOPE grant for \$149K and the CONEKT Grant for \$100K. Larry suggested that the BOD could receive a monthly or quarterly reports outlining the activity on our large grant accounts. A lively discussion ensued after Larry's questions, which covered a wide range of topics about board and member activities to include congregate lunches, Meals on Wheels, home meal delivery, grants received and other subjects.

Statistics: Maggie presented August stats in an easy-to-read format, showing a year over year increase in all areas. The board reviewed the statistics presented, including a deeper look at the statistics reporting meals and food.

Going forward stats will be reported monthly with a quarterly recap at the board meeting following the end of the quarter. The BOD will receive a quarterly update at our next meeting in October.

Director's Report, presented by Doreen:

COA Team Updates

- Outreach Coordinator position has been filled. Doreen hired Sue Dysart who previously served as an intern and volunteer for the COA. The position has been expanded and has new title, Outreach and BHOPE Coordinator.

Costello Center

- The mayor is in the process of buying clocks to finish this project.

Up Coming Programming

- AF Taskforce still needs new members, and Doreen has met with the Intern Coordinator for UMASS Lowell to review the program.
- Veteran's Lunch on November 8th to begin at 11 am

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FCOA Update: Mary Lee Ford

- Lee Reported that Cathy Berman has calculated the amount of donations the FCOA has given to the COA this fiscal year and it is \$54K.
- Health Fair was held on Sept 6th at the Senior Center
- Live Well Amesbury Sept 7th at the Millyard
- Lee also thanked all of the volunteers who worked both of these activities. Both were a great success this year.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Miller