

Minutes from the Groton Council On Aging  
Board Meeting  
March 15, 2021

Members Present: Paula Martin, Mihran Keoseian, Therese Keoseian, Peter Cunningham, Jean Sheedy, Helen Sienkiewicz

Staff Present: Kathy Shelp, Stacey Shepard Jones

The meeting was opened by Jean at 1:00 p.m.

Minutes: Minutes from the February 8 meeting were presented by Helen. They were reviewed and a motion to accept was made by Paula, 2nd by Therese. All unanimous approval was accepted.

Director's Report: The re-accreditation is on hold. Kathy is periodically working on it. Therese questioned when will it be completed. Kathy said it will be done by May.

The Center will not be opening fully, anytime soon. A few different options are being considered. Perhaps having lunch outside between two showings of a movie.

Kathy hopes the Police Picnic will be held the end of June. With or without the Police Department.

Mother's Day brunch and Father's Day celebration will be happening to some degree.

People are now coming to The Center a little more. By September, Kathy feels we may be somewhat back to normal.

Therese asked about more folks coming to the fitness center.

Kathy has contacted Rep. Kennedy's office about receiving a block of vaccines.

No word yet.

Kathy was able to obtain four vaccine appointments in the past few days.

We are in need of outside tables and chairs. The cost will be approximately \$3000. Mark Naddad is very supportive.

Mihran questioned their storage. Maybe Nashoba Tech could help.

Outreach Report: Stacey has recorded two thirds of the Project Safe and Sound forms. Scheduling the van for vaccine appointments is taking up lots of time. Winter Zoom ended today. It was a lot of fun.

Therese expressed a uniform thank you from all of us to Kathy and Stacey for all of the great work that they do.

Kathy Santiago will probably be out until the end of April.

Bag The Event was very successful. Over 80 people enjoyed the lunch each week.

Mihran asked about any increase in our budget. There has not been any increase in the past eight years.

Peter spoke about the testing being done out at the Sportsman's building. We should soon know the results. Once it is cleaned up, we can move forward. Kathy feels there is grant money available for the project.

The electric bill at the Center is in the range of \$3700 a month. It is being looked into.

Next meeting will be held on April 12, at 1:00p.m.

Motion to accept Director's and Staff reports was made by Peter, 2nd by Mihran. All unanimous approval accepted.

Motion to adjourn was made by Paula, 2nd by Therese. All unanimous approval accepted.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Helen Sienkiewicz,  
Secretary

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