

**Barnstable Council on Aging**  
825 Falmouth Rd  
Hyannis, MA 02601

**Monthly Meeting – March 16, 2016**  
**@ 9:00 AM**

Present: John Jope, Josephine Melpignano, Eleanor Letterie, John Alden, Paul Curley, Helen Stretch, Barbara Cross

Also present: Madeline Noonan, Director, Donna Burns, Assistant Director, Gary Sylvester, FBCOA

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM and a quorum was met. The minutes from the February meeting were approved as written.

Vice President Report:

- He has spoken to Youth Commission Chair, Brendan Clark, about having a joint meeting in the fall
- Reduction approved by town council in the by-laws to change from 13 full board members to 9

Director's Report:

- St Patrick's day dinner was a huge success
- FBCOA was thanked for supporting the dinner
- Parking lot:
  - DPW reports that lighting delayed for a couple months due to paperwork that was not submitted in time
  - Lines will be put down soon. Need consecutive days about 50 degrees to have this done
  - Handicap spaces will be reconfigured
  - ADA reconfigured in front of the kitchen area
  - Curb cut at the end of sidewalk
  - Possibility of bocce courts being installed in the far end of the new parking lot. This could be funded by the FBCOA
- Budget funding for generator was discussed but no decisions have been made at this time. If it does go through at a later date the center may also be a warming shelter for people in need
- Future of Adult Support Day Aide is being discussed with the Town of Barnstable
- Town libraries and senior center staff meet to discuss doing some joint programming and being more involved with each other
- Reassurance calls are a great safety net for senior at high risk with no family close by

- New Compass was passed out. Much improved but still working on formatting. Was received well by attending board members
- Met with new editor of the Barnstable Patriot – they will help to promote activities and events at the senior center
- Camera Club to be more involved in picture taking around the center to improve the quality of the photos used in marketing

#### Assistant Director's Report

- \$3000.00 Rotary grant received and will be used on outreach to assist seniors in need of safety issues in their homes
- File of Life cards are now available at the desk
- LGBT events being scheduled
  - LGBT caregiver support group started
  - Gen Silence film will have two showings on May 5<sup>th</sup> here at the center
  - April 24<sup>th</sup> we're having an LGBT dinner at 6pm
- Volunteer Appreciation luncheon to be held on April 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:30

#### Cross Health Center Report

- Subscription (10) are being sponsored by the FBCOA
- Information center will be ready in the spring
- Handout materials need restocking

Old Business – none

Meeting adjourned at 10 AM

Next meeting April 20, 2016 @ 9:00 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Enos