

**Franklin Council of Aging**

**November 21, 2023**

**Franklin Senior Center Meeting Room**

Members Present: Jan Jewett, Kim Mu-Chow, Bob Kaufman, Phyllis Malcolm, Ken Norman

Lester Quan, Faith Flaherty, Lyn O'Brien

Excused Absent: Colette Ferguson

Also Present: Danielle Hopkins (FSC, Director), Sarah Amaral (Deputy Director), Nan Rafter (FOFE)

**Called to Order:** 10:00 AM

Minutes of the last meeting October 17, 2023- approved with revisions

**Citizens Comments:** None

**Correspondence:** Senior Center has received a variety of thanksgiving cards and thank you cards for programs and special events

**Directors's Report: (Danielle Hopkins)** (see attached report for details)

- Multiple grants are available
  - Nutrition, Scholarships for Supportive Day, Web based resource guide
- Lyn O'Brien is now running ALZ Caregiver Group replacing Elaine Owens
- Bereavement Support will be twice a month
- AARP will be doing taxes every Friday starting in February
- Admin Assistant had interviews and will be doing second interviews soon
- Tax Workoff packets were sent out
- FY 25 Town Budget due in January
- Murder Mystery & Elvis Party were huge hits and Drum Circles is popular

**Chairman's Comments:** FSC attended Wrentham Expo

**FOFE Liaison Report:** (Nan Rafter)

- Fall Raffle 50/50 made money
- Winter Wonderland is their next event
- Will be getting gift cards for seniors in need from the Ben Franklin Charter School
- Fundraising letter will be going out in January

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- Committee List & Contact List for COA- Danielle to send out
- Goals for next year (Calendar 2024)
  1. Take group picture in January
  2. Jan- Activities for Seniors living alone group
  3. Cooking for one demonstration

**Comments:**

- Lyn asked the group if they would like to decorate a tree for Winter Wonderland- all agreed
- Phyllis asked about visiting other Senior Centers
- Ken would like to have Senior Center Study put in the Director's Message in Newsletter

**Agenda for Next Meeting:**

- Invite Shannon Nisbett to come and talk Veterans happenings & Yoga for Veterans
- Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 10:00AM

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 11:00AM

Submitted by:

Phyllis Malcolm