

Hampden Council on Aging – December 10, 2019

In attendance: Ed Norman, Becky Moriarty, Cliff Bombard, Deanna Vermette, Deb Mahoney and John Shay, Nancy Willoughby, Sue Haskins

Meeting called to order by Deb at 9:20 AM

Meeting minutes for October, 2019 read and accepted.

Treasurer report accepted.

Director's report accepted.

Outreach: Wendy is very busy processing fuel assistance requests and working with DTA on the SNAP Outreach program.

Activities: Nan is very busy planning the different activities for the 2020 year.

Discussion surrounding the COA Board Self Assessments: Deb collected all forms and will compile the results to be discussed at the next meeting.

Deb reviewed the Ten Basic Responsibilities of a Non-Profit Board and asked the question "What are good reasons for being on the board"?

Discussion followed: Support the director, look at all interest in the community and make recommendations, become more active in building activities and volunteering.

Board would like to see a photo of the board taken and posted at the senior center. Becky will talk with Donna about including a board member spotlight in the Scantic Scribe newsletter. Becky will invite staff to come to the board meetings from time to time.

Discussion about Building Evaluation Committee

Becky will work with staff to come up with comprehensive list of volunteer activities at the senior center.

Discussion regarding a possible program to utilize volunteer drivers to take homebound or isolated older adults for a ride or for a coffee to enjoy socialization and getting out of the house.

GSSSI: John Shay gave an update as to what is happening at the Greater Springfield Senior Services meetings.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM

Respectfully submitted for the Secretary

Rebecca Moriarty