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Minutes of COA Board Meeting - May 14, 2014

Members present: Mary Keenan, Mike Donham, V.V. Martin, Carol Airasian, Dorothy Brown, and Alice Wadden.

Members excused absence: Pat Gold & Burt Greenberg

Staff members present: Caryl Fox, Kathleen Wolf, Laura Gold, and Debbie Dunn.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Board member Mary Keenan.

1. The minutes of the [April](#) meeting were read by Board members. Mike Donham made a motion to approve the minutes and Dorothy Brown seconded. Passed.

2. [Financial](#) Statements:

Money was transferred from other line items to make sure that there was adequate funding for medical transportation and emergency assistance. The money subtracted from program services, office supplies, and program supplies still leaves enough to cover costs for the fiscal year.

3. Senior Center Birthday Party:

The party this year will celebrate the twentieth birthday of the Center. Tickets are priced at ten dollars. The reduced price is made possible by a contribution made by the Friends of the COA. Maria's Catering will create a special meal for us. Volunteers who are at the party will be recognized. (at this event.)

4. [Summer Schedule](#):

Kathleen Wolf has put together a great summer list of lectures and workshops. In June, there will be a lecture by the Registry of Motor Vehicles and a historic presentation of Ernest Hemingway. There will be two facilitated classes - one by the Arthritis Foundation, which will teach tai chi and the other a supportive workshop for caregivers. Monthly trips include an excursion to two Connecticut museums, a duck tour of Portland, and a river

boat cruise in western Massachusetts.

5. [COA FY '15 Budget Update:](#)

The level service budget for the next fiscal year includes small increases in the gas and electric line items as well as a three hundred fifty dollar increase in building maintenance, and a needed one thousand dollar increase in emergency assistance.

The hearing for the COA budget will be held on Saturday, May 31, 2014.

Chairperson, Pat Gold, will be there. Everyone else is welcome to attend.

6. Friends of the COA Update:

Mary Keenan reviewed the agenda of the Friends of the COA meeting that took place on April 29, 2014. The next meeting will probably take place soon, possibly in June. At that meeting, a treasurer will be elected for the group and the by-laws will be reviewed.

The annual meeting will be in October. Board members discussed various ways to publicize the Friends group.

7. Yard Sale:

Caryl Fox thanked the Board for their help with donations, set-up, selling at the event, and with clean-up. The sale made one thousand nine hundred and fifty-two dollars for the Senior Center's Revolving Fund.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Submitted by Caryl Leslie Fox