

Council on Aging Meeting by Zoom March 5, 2021

Present: Christine Quinn COA Director, Karen Johnson, Deb Greene, Linda Chute, Nancy Puckett, Ed Selman, Joanne Grenham

Old Business: Communication – Christine has been sending weekly reports to the board. It was felt that if she sends Karen an email each week, Karen can decide to forward the info to the COA Board. The Board just wants to be kept informed of activities and not be in the dark.

Telephone: Christine reported that IT fixed the phone problems.

Facebook: There is still confusion over the COA face book page title. There is more than one way to get to the page or website. After much discussion, Karen was going to send Christine a link and Christine's son would try to work on it since he is the administrator of the page.

Tuft's Grant: Ed and Nancy are on the Tufts Grant Community Action Board. They have met only once with the seniors and then everything stopped because of the virus. There is still \$800 left from 2019 to be spent on the seniors. Nancy and Ed requested to meet with Christine to discuss thoughts and ideas on how the money can be spent to benefit the seniors. Christine will set up a meeting next week.

Monthly Lunches: A grab n go lunch is planned for March 25<sup>th</sup>. It is in the newsletter and people need to sign up for the lunch. There is a \$4 charge for the lunch being prepared by Cindy. Seniors that cannot drive can have the lunch delivered by staff.

Zoom Confusion: There was some confusion with the last presentation on Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>. That talk was recorded and can be seen on cable TV and the COA Face book page and website.

The next event is a talk about BC's Irish Studies Program by Prof. Robert Savage on March 24<sup>th</sup>. The zoom link can be found on the COA Face book page and website.

Letter to Fellowship Circle: Christine is still working on a letter to go to the residents at Fellowship Circle. It will explain what the COA does and the services that are available.

New Business: Director's Report – Jen Mayo would like to do a program involving the seniors, some type of bingo game.

Amanda Decker, Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist for Avon would like to make "stress boxes" for seniors. Both of these programs are still in the early discussion phase.

Motion to adjourn was made and second, meeting was adjourned at 11:00

Next meeting will be April 9, 2021 at 10:00.

*Linda Chute*  
Secretary