

**Sandwich Council of Aging
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2023**

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Facilitator: John Vibberts, Co-Chair

Call to Order: 9:34

Members Present: Dawn Black, Charlotte Kreutzer, Frank McDonald, Caroline Paulino, Anne Marie Rogers, Ellen Swain

Absent: Karen Cotter, Karen Smith

COA Staff: Susan Marancik, Director

Guests: John Peters, FOSCOA Representative
Ryan Davis, Sandwich Enterprise Newspaper

Approval of Minutes: Motion made to approve minutes by Frank McDonald; seconded by Caroline Paulino

Standing Committee Reports:

- John Vibberts reported five potential applicants for the Board
- Volunteers Ann Marie Rogers and Ellen Swain along with John Vibberts formed an Ad Hoc Committee that will meet after our next Board meeting to review applicants.

FOSCOA Report

John Peters, FOSCA Treasurer reported \$75,000 in checking account and 42,000 in CD's.



Director's Report

- Smooth soft opening
- Still, a small punch list that includes interior spots, exterior landscaping, exterior power washing and the Bocci Court
- Response by the community is very positive with many requests for evening and weekend programs. The COA is working on this but additional programming will require new staff.
- Some programs are experiencing good growing pains. For example, Chair Yoga will out grown the fitness room when new equipment is installed. New room options will be sought to minimize movement of chairs by staff.
- The large Multi Purpose Room easily held 100 plus people at C.I. Fornari's lecture on "Growing Vegetables on Cape Cod."
- The Alzheimers Caregiver Support Group and the Sightless Support Group have now established regular monthly meetings at the COA.
- VNA is offering a Walking Challenge Program on 5/11.
- The Walking Track continues to draw people to the Center.
- Phase 2 is in the planning stage whereby the Center could be used by fee paying private groups. Fee schedules are under discussion and must receive approval by the Board of Selectman.
- Voting for Precincts 4,5 and will be held at the Center for Active Living
- Elder Services will be running a 12 week program in the Fall on the Use of Computers.
- Information on future grants will be forthcoming.

Old Business: None

New Business: John Peters of FOSCA asked about

- Grand Opening
- Flag Raising Ceremony
- Borrowing Pickle Ball Equipment for interested new comers

Next Meeting: May 23, 2023 at 9:30 AM.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Frank McDonald and seconded by Dawn Black.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen Swain