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**Rehoboth Council on Aging
Board of Directors Meeting
@ Gladys L. Hurrell Rehoboth Senior Center
Minutes of June 7, 2017**

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- 1) **Call to order**---7:00 pm
- 2) **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3) **Members Present**--- Neal Harrington, Ronald Whittemore, Dr. Robert Lambe, MaryBeth Moriarty, Sue Laverdiere, Charlene Cunha and Linda Sherman
Members Excused--- Bob McKim
Guests Present--- Dr. Bruce Thayer, and Kim Robens
- 4) **Review past months meeting minutes**--- None
- 5) **Presentations**--- None
- 6) **Expense Report**--- C.O.A. spreadsheet looks good.
- 7) **Director's Report**---Linda Sherman stated that the Rehoboth Garden Club came and sponsored a multigenerational planting project. Tranquil Lake donated many flats of flowers and plants, Home Depot donated \$100 worth of supplies including water hoses and flowers, Araujo Farms donated 2 flats of flowers and Souza Farms donated flowers for our window flower boxes. This project went very well and all who volunteered did an outstanding job. Wingate Nursing Center will sponsor musical entertainment on June 13th. Marion Manor will continue to provide \$Dollar Store B.I.N.G.O. after our monthly Tasty Thursday meals. Father's Day Breakfast will be held on Friday June 16th. A reminder that there will be a special Town Voting on June 27th. T.R.I.A.D. will sponsor a Multigenerational Luncheon on June 19th. Beckwith students will provide the musical entertainment.
- 8) **Old Business**--- My Senior Reports- Volunteers report still looks off. The pay rate doesn't look right when calculated. The Event Stats report also looks off- confusing on how it is generated. Linda stated that the "My Senior" program has to be used for Formula Grant Funding. It seems that the Seniors can't swipe 2x in one day but the report is generating "duplicated". Maybe ask for a new instruction guide book? Sue L. asked if this "My Senior" program was contracted through the state. Linda S. stated that all C.O.A. Centers in our area use this program. Linda will speak to Emmett about this program in the fall of this year.
- 9) **New Business**---Dr. Lambe welcomed our new candidate for the opened position of C.O.A. Board Member, Dr. Bruce Thayer. Dr. Lambe asked if there were any questions for Dr. Thayer. Ron W. stated that Dr. Thayer is currently our B.E.S.I. Rep. for our Rehoboth Senior Center. Dr. Thayer said he was pleased that he was chosen as a Rep. for our C.O.A. and that B.E.S.I. is an excellent and very well run program for our local Seniors. This organization has many various programs that are available for Seniors in our community. B.E.S.I. also helps Seniors when they are injured in Nursing Homes and they also help with Home Care for the Elderly. This organization oversees a lot of special services not just Meals on Wheels. Dr. Thayer attends monthly meetings at B.E.S.I. Dr. Thayer is well informed with what is facilitated for our Town and what is available. Linda S. has always been in constant contact with Dr. Thayer. Dr. Thayer is now on the "Nominating Committee of Board of Directors" for B.E.S.I. Dr. Thayer also added that he would like to be part of our own C.O.A. Board.

Ron W. mentioned that he would try and contact R.E.M.A. regarding our Senior Center being a "Warming Center" vs. "Shelter". The C.O.A. is not equipped to be a shelter. Would not be legal to have a shelter set up here at the Senior Center. Neal H. stated that R.E.M.A. has one set up already in Rehoboth which would have fold up cots, etc... Neal H. recently had attended a meeting with the Police and Ambulance Dept. for Boston based F.E.M.A.

9 New Business cont.--Dr. Lambe asked if there were any more questions for Dr. Thayer. Ron Whittemore 1st motioned to accept Dr. Thayer as our new C.O.A. Board Member, and MaryBeth Moriarty 2nd the motion. All Board Members were in favor for Dr. Thayer as our new Board Member. The next Town Selectmen Meeting will be held on June 12th and they will appoint Dr. Thayer for the C.O.A. Board and to be officially sworn in by Laura Schwall. Dr. Bruce Thayer would be replacing Robert McKim's C.O.A. Board Member position, who recently resigned.

10) B.E.S.I. Report---None

11) Friends of the Rehoboth Elderly Report---None

12) Correspondence--- Sturdy Thank you letter for our Sewing Ladies volunteers.

13) Building Usage--- None

14) Open Forum--- None

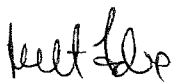
15) Any other business that may come before the Board--- None

16) Adjournment--- 7:49p.m. Dr. Lambe motioned to adjourn. Ron W. 1st motioned and Sue L. 2nd motioned.

Next COA Board Meeting- Scheduled for October 18th 2017

*Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly Robens- Secretary*

Approved by:



Dr. Robert Lambe
C.O.A. Board President