

Minutes

COA Advisory Board Meeting minutes of June 27, 2023

Present: R. Gorden, N. Grossman, M. Kempner, J. Shapiro, R. Edelston, R. Maidman, K. Medeiros, M. Caruso, H. Switekowski (Select Board liaison to COA)

Meeting called to order 2:30 PM

Minutes from May 15, 2023 - Unanimously approved.

K. Medeiros will be retiring at end of month Kathie's going away party will be this Thursday the 29th from 1:30- 3:30 PM.

Mary "Beth" Caruso was introduced as new COA Director by Rob Maidman. Beth has been on staff and has been shadowing Kathie for a week.. Beth was introduced to the Board and gave her professional history and wisdoms that she has attained from her past experiences. Welcome aboard Beth.

Director's Report (K. Medeiros)

Search is on to hire new Office Manager. Position has been vacant since Maeche. Resumes were due yesterday.

Increase in attendance for Fitness Programs.

Ninety's Party (celebrating residents in their 90's). 55 people were on hand, which included their guests.

HESSCO sponsored yesterday LGBT Social.

No issues in the building.

Guest: Ted Philips, MA. State Representative

The new fiscal year begins July 1st. Legislator body is working on budget for 2024'

Formula funding grants for MA COA's expected to be \$14/senior resident based on latest census.

Ted is presently on 5 committees at State House. Board members were given the opportunity to ask questions in terms of the latest in regard to seniors and COA's.

Sharon High School participation status

The new high school principal starts July 1. There is no further update.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- HESSCO (E. Feldman): - No report
- FSCOA (M. Kempner):
Volunteer Breakfast was held earlier this month.
The membership drive was successful. A second mailing will be sent out shortly.
The annual meeting was held June 18th.
- AARP events: (<https://states.aarp.org/massachusetts/events-ma>)

**The next COA Advisory Board Meeting will be Tuesday, August 22, 2023@
2:30PM**