

**BROCKTON COUNCIL ON AGING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MONDAY JANUARY 4, 2016**

The monthly meeting of the Brockton Council on Aging,
(Board of Directors) Was held on Monday January 4, 2016

Minutes recorded by Richard Drobiak, Recorder for Board of Directors

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Lorraine Lalli at 10:08 AM

ROLL CALL: Betty Goldsmith absent, Sue Alves, and Al Amoroso excused. All other board members present.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Minutes of 12/7/15 meeting reviewed by board members. A motion was made and approved to accept the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Howard Fund report balance is \$58,784.52. A motion was made and approved to accept the Howard Report as submitted.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR: A copy of Director Janice Fitzgerald's report is attached.

- Janice left the meeting to attend the mayoral inauguration at city hall. Michelle delivered the Director's report.
- Bloom tours being tried for COA tours
- Tickets for the Brockton Symphony concerts available at front desk.

REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR: A copy of Activities Director Michelle Brace's report is attached.

REPORT OF THE OUTREACH COORDINATOR: No report

NEW BUSINESS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

OTHER BUSINESS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

Next meeting 2/1/2015 – meeting adjourned 10:40

DIRECTOR'S REPORT- January 4, 2016

Happy New Year everyone and I apologize for not being here this morning. I am over at City Hall attending the swearing in ceremony for Mayor Carpenter and city councilors.

I have just a few things I want to tell you about. This year is going to be a very busy, productive and fun year!

- First let me give you an update on Dottie Slack. I went to visit her yesterday. She is home and doing very well. She should be back very soon.
- February 1 will be the official start of the "Senior Property Tax Work Off Program" for 2016. There will be information in February's newsletters or you can speak with me for additional information.
- I have decided to give Bloom Tours a try with trips. I am booking a trip to Mohegan Sun and the RI Flower Show in February. Details will be posted soon and will be in newsletter.
- I have met with members of SALT/TRIAD and they are very excited to bring us some new and interesting events this year.
- On February 24 our Outreach Department will be hosting a "Benefits Fair". At this Fair they will have information on how you can save money on some of your health care expenses. Please join us.
- I am sad to tell you that Lynn will be leaving us on the 11th. Lynn has been such a pleasure to have here and has worked very hard to help our seniors with SNAP, Fuel Assistance and other issues.
- Lastly, the Capital Campaign will start on February 1. I have a great committee in place along with the members of the "Friends" who are committed to help me get the funds needed to build the addition.

In closing, I want to wish you all a very Happy and Healthy New Year and thank you for all you do for me and the COA.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice B. Fitzgerald
Director

Upcoming Events

Monday, January 4th New Year's Sock Hop Celebration 1:00-3:00PM
Wednesday, January 6th Tai Chi with Elijah Swain 9:15AM
Wednesday, January 6th Pizza Party and Pine Cone Craft 12:00PM (full)
Friday, January 8th state Representative Michelle DuBois 9:00AM
Monday, January 11th SALT/Triad at 9:30AM
Monday, January 11th COA Book Club 10:00AM
Monday, January 11th S.T.O.P. with Kendell Bennett Personal Trainer 1:00PM
Tuesday, January 12th Winter Special Congregate Meal 12:00Noon
Wednesday, January 13th Senior Circuit Breaker Credit & Tax Information 1:00PM
Monday, January 18th Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Center is closed
Wednesday, January 20th MADD Hatters 12:30PM
Thursday, January 21st Lunch & Learn "Get Moving, Take Charge of Your Health
Monday, January 25th Legal Consults with Michelle Beneski 9:00AM
Monday, January 25th Men's Group 9:30AM
Wednesday, January 27th National Chocolate Cake Day 1:00PM

Trips

Cabin Fever Bingo
Mohegan Sun Casino
Rhode Island Garden and Flower Show

Upcoming Events

Special Election 2/2/16 All activities are cancelled
Valentine's Cookie Class 2/3/16
Breakfast with Police Chief John Crowley 2/8/16
Valentine's Day Party 2/10/16
Pen Pal Meeting 2/17/16
Benefits Fair 2/24/16
Dolley Maddison "Quaker Girl Becomes First Lady" 2/29/16