

**BROCKTON COUNCIL ON AGING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MONDAY DECEMBER 7, 2015**

The monthly meeting of the Brockton Council on Aging,
(Board of Directors) Was held on Monday December 7, 2015

Minutes recorded by Richard Drobiak, Recorder for Board of Directors

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Teddi Bourassa at 10:03 AM

ROLL CALL: Betty Goldsmith and Sue Alves absent. Chairwoman Lorraine Lalli excused All other board members present.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Minutes of 11/2/15 meeting reviewed by board members. A motion was made and approved to accept the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Howard Fund report balance is \$71,137.14. 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 emphasized that the board recognize the effort put forth by Dottie Slack to satisfy the demands of open enrolment.
- Janice will itemize goals for next year

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

REPORT OF THE OUTREACH COORDINATOR:

- Very busy with open enrolment.

NEW BUSINESS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

OTHER BUSINESS: Appointing of board members by the Mayor on hold until January. Existing board members awaiting renewal appointments are still valid members of the board.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

Next meeting 1/7/2016

Meeting adjourned 10:40

DIRECTOR'S REPORT-December 7, 2015

- I first want to say a HUGE thank you to Dottie Slack and Christie Rexford for all that they did during Open Enrollment. They went above and beyond to make sure that everyone that called here to be seen got appointments and were given their options for the Part D plans. Dottie went as far as being here after her scheduled hours and on her days off. We are so fortunate to have her here.
- Starting January 1, we will be a host site for the RMV. Dottie, Lynne and I will be doing the following online transactions by appointment for Brockton seniors.
 - Renewing license if younger than 75
 - Renewing registrations
 - Change of address
 - Getting a duplicate license or registration
 - Reporting a lost or stolen disability placard
 - Request a replacement of the placard
- We will start scheduling tax aide appointments on January 1
- Snow policy is as follows. If Brockton Public Schools are cancelled due to inclement weather all COA activities will be cancelled. Unless there is a declared emergency, the staff will be in the office. Please listen to the radio and/or TV stations for public school closings. If you are unsure if we are open or not please call before you leave your home.
- Also starting in January we will be using Bloom Tours for some of our trips. I have spoken to them a few times and have received very positive feedback from other COA's that use them. They also offer a nice variety of trips that we have never gone on before. Their pricing is comparable to Card Tours and I am very excited to send you on some new and exciting adventures.

In closing, I wish you all a very Merry Xmas and a happy Holiday Season!

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Fitzgerald
Director

Upcoming Events

Monday, December 7th The COA Book Club 1:00PM
Monday, December 7th The Benefits of Tea 1:00PM (full)
Wednesday, December 9th The Blanket Project 10:00AM
Wednesday, December 9th AARP Meeting and Holiday Party 1:00PM
Thursday, December 10th Writer's Workshop 1:00PM
Monday, December 14th Holiday Party at the Shaw's Center 12:00-3:00PM
Tuesday, December 15th Day of Beauty at Southeast Regional 8:30AM
Tuesday, December 15th The Knitters Holiday Party at George's 12:00 Noon
Wednesday, December 16th "Ask Dottie" Depression at 10:30AM
Wednesday, December 16th MADD Hatters, "Holiday Time" 12:30PM
Thursday, December 17th Writer's Workshop 1:00PM
Monday, December 21st SALT/Triad at 9:30AM
Monday, December 21st Painting with Beth & Mary from West Acres 1:00PM
Tuesday, December 22nd Holiday Special Congregate Meal 12:00 Noon
Wednesday, December 23rd The Blanket Project 10:00AM
Thursday, December 24th Christmas Eve, Center closes at 12:00 Noon
Friday, December 25th Christmas Day, Center is closed
Monday, December 28th Legal Consults with Erin L. Shea 9:00AM
Wednesday, December 30th Left, Right, Center at 10:30AM
Thursday, December 31st Writer's Workshop 1:00PM

Trips

December 13th Christmas in Newport (full)
January 28th Cabin Fever Bingo at Wright's Farm

Upcoming Events

Monday, January 4th New Year's Sock Hop
Wednesday, January 6th Lunch & Craft with St. Joseph's Manor
Wednesday, January 13th Senior Circuit Breaker Credit & Tax Information
Wednesday, January 27th National Chocolate Cake Day
Wednesday, February 10th Valentine's Day Party