## COMBINED MEETING OF THE COA BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND FRIENDS OF THE COA BOARD Minutes March 4, 2024

Present: J. Fuller-Jones, D Andrews, C. DeLorey, C. Reichenberg, P. Beckner, R. Graham, M. James, G. Koelsch, A. McCormack, H. Soones, H. Beasley

Absent: F. Zephyr

Minutes of February 5, 2024 – approved

Treasurer's Report – Howard Fund \$3,218.88 – additional grant has been requested

Director's Report – Sophia Moliere has been hired as the Activities Assistant interviews for Assistant Director will be held Tues and Thursday, Greater Boston Food Bank has only 6 packages available now, but 30 volunteers signed up to help distribute so additional packages could be coming, the COA has received many calls requesting food and Freight Farm comes every other Tuesday with fresh vegetables, etc but there is a cut off of 50 people each time, all Board members must sign the Conflict of Interest Form quickly, FY23 Annual Report = 261 new members, 1200 outreach calls, 105 fuel assistance, 158 tax returns completed, 1200 wellness check calls made, 5,000 newsletters mailed monthly, 47 pets received food and toys, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 9-1030 will be a coffee hour with the Mayor

Building Committee – Sample colors and textures are available for preview, framing of outside walls has begun and electric and plumbing is on going

Christina's Report – St Patrick's Day luncheon March 13 at 12:00, Craft with Sophia on March 15, Red cross disaster training for Flooding Seminar on March 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:00. Senior defense will be Mondays at 11:30, a trip to Encore will be April 24<sup>th</sup>

Lauren's Report – Dottie will return 3/5/24, BTA cards are available with asset limits removed, singles income of \$2824.00 and \$3,833 per couple, next Turning 65 Seminar will be 4/9/24

By-laws updated, approved, signed and will be sent to Mayor then the City Council

Next meeting - April 1, 2024