

Minutes of Board Meeting of November 9, 2010

Board Members Present: William Cobham, President, Patricia Burgess, Vice President, Yaw O. Adjei-Koranteng, Mary Ann Dalton, Edna Stamp

Staff Present: Eileen Ginnetty, Patricia Johnson, Vincent McCarthy, Susan Pacheco and Emma Watkins.
Minutes from September 14th were accepted.

COA Executive Director's Report; Eileen welcomed two new board members, Yaw O. Adjei-Koranteng and Maureen Harty. Yaw was at this meeting. Maureen had a scheduling conflict, but will join us at the December meeting.

Eileen and Bill updated the board that she forwarded a recent tenant complaint which Bill had received against a Cambridge Housing Authority staff person to the proper person for review. This complaint was anonymous.

A flyer was distributed for the City's panel discussion: What's Next: Housing Options As We Age to be held on November 10 from 6:30-8:30 the main library.

Snow Removal was also a concern that was addressed.

The Citywide Senior Center celebrated its 15 anniversary on October 28, and all participants had a great time entertained by the Bobby Justin Band.

Client Services: Susan noted that Medicare Open enrollment will take place effective November 15 and will continue through December 31 for coverage beginning January 2, 2011. Appointments are scheduled due to heavy response. Both Alicia our SHINE counselor, and Tom our volunteer SHINE counselor, have been busy. A Medicare forum was held on Thursday November 4 to cover the changes to the plan. Susan mentioned a save the date for December 2 where a representative from Homeowner's Rehab. Inc. will speak about taking care of you most valuable asset, your home.

Citywide Senior Center: Emma reported that in celebrating the center's anniversary, videos of the center's history will played. Coupons for free classes for first time participants are available during our anniversary celebration week.

In collaboration with Tufts University Osher Lifelong Learning Programs, The Elderquest Movie series will present an ongoing movie series, November 9, Strangers in Good Company, and November 23, Last Orders from 1-3. Preregistration is required.

This years' annual Kwanzaa Celebration will be held at the King School on Saturday December 4. Limited transportation will be provided by Door2Door (SCM Community Transportation) for \$10.

North Cambridge Senior Center: Vincent reported that COA Social Services presented a Transportation Options talk on October 28. This discussion was well received. On Wednesday, November 17, participants will go to White's in Westport for a Thanksgiving Luncheon featuring the Bobby Justin Band. One of the most asked for activities is a Morning of Beauty which is planned for December 18. Also that day our yoga instructor, Peggy Gardiner will review her book, Yoga at the Kitchen Sink. On December 9, we have scheduled a trip to the Wang Center to see the Rockettes. The center's annual holiday party will be held at the West Cambridge Youth Center on December 14. Tickets are required.

Respectfully Submitted
Pat Johnson

Cambridge Council on Aging
MEETING REMINDER AND AGENDA

COA BOARD MEETING

Tuesday December 14, 2010 9:30 a.m.

AGENDA:

- 1. President's welcome**
- 2. Welcome to Maureen Harty**
- 3. Review/Acceptance of minutes from meeting November 9, 2010**
- 4. Reports**

Edna Stamp- Cambridge World Cafe
COA Executive Director
Client Services
Citywide Senior Center
North Cambridge Senior Center

5. Old Business

6. New Business

Our sincere wishes for a healthy holiday season from the Cambridge Council on Aging, Citywide Senior Center, and the North Cambridge Senior Center.

