Minutes of Board Meeting of November 15, 2011

Board Members Present: William Cobham, President, Patricia Burgess, Mary Ann Dalton, Carmela Schipani, and Edna Stamp.

Staff Present: Eileen Ginnetty, Patricia Johnson, Vincent McCarthy, and Emma Watkins.

Minutes from October 11, were accepted with one correction: Citywide Senior Center Bazaar will be held on November 30, not 3.

COA Executive Director's Report; Eileen reported that the State Ethics Commission's Summary of the Conflict of Interest Law for all city board members was distributed and asked the board members to sign and turn in Acknowledgement of Receipt form.

Eileen reported on the November Aging in Community, MA expands their commitment to support persons with a disability, including "Money follows the person".

December is the last scheduled Silver Ribbon meeting still reviewing "Shared Housing" options for seniors.

Client Services; In Susan's absence, it was noted that on November 30 a free workshop is scheduled "Tools for the Caregivers". Preregistration is required.

Citywide Senior Center: Mysteries of the Cosmos continues with its on-going lecture series on November 15. November's theme party will be held on November 17 w/Andy Baer and his jazz ensemble. On December 8, a meeting is planned with representation from the MBTA to discuss senior concerns regarding bus routes and shelters. Saturday December 10, Citywide Kwanzaa celebration will be held at the King School from 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

North Cambridge Senior Center: Vincent reported that the Odyssey boat cruise was a success. On November 10 a trolley tour of local art in Cambridge in collaboration with the Cambridge Arts Council is planned. A Dessert Potluck Social is planned on Thursday, November 17.

Early December events are: A Morning of Beauty at the Somerville High School, December 1, and 2050's annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, December 3 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. A Holiday Party is scheduled for Tuesday, December 6 with Frank Smith entertaining on guitar. RSVP to Vincent if you would like to attend.

Respectfully Submitted, Pat Johnson