

## **Council on Aging of Williamsburg and Haydenville**

### **Minutes of the Meeting of September 20, 2023**

**Present:** Mary Bisbee, Daria D'Arienzo, Maureen O'Brien, Gerry Mann, Dianne Martin. Staff: Sherry Loomis. Quorum was met. Meeting called to order at 12: 24 p.m.

**Minutes:** Motion to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of August 16, 2023 as edited. (Seconded).

#### **Director's Report: Programs & Events**

- Carole Hendricks was praised for coordinating the successful September 15th Health Fair, which welcomed 50 attendees.
- The flu clinic on October 12, 2023 requires participants call to preregister and find out about filling out paperwork. There are more open slots. Volunteer Board members should call Carole Hendricks to arrange times available. Joy Cross Moore is arranging rides for those who need transportation.
- H.R.H.S. students will participate in a seniors' yard cleanup event on October 20th. Seniors can sign up by calling the Senior Center at 413-268-8419.

**Old Business:** Discussion continued about providing a hilltown regional community screening of a recommended film, *Gen Silent* on Saturday October 21 at 2p.m. at the Anne T. Dunphy School. There will be no food available. Dianne Martin will coordinate with Director Bev Bullock at Meekins Library and Jan Jibeau about final details.

#### **New Business:** New C.O.A. Board Members:

- Mary Bisbee is now finishing requirements to become a voting member.
- Motion to thank Pat Billingsley for her past Board service was seconded and passed. Dianne has sent her a thank you card from the group.
- Dianne will ask to have Board vacancy notice posted on the Route 9 Town Signs.
- Maureen O'Brien will contact a suggested associate member prospect to assess interest in joining the Board. There is a continued interest in increasing diversity.
- Maureen O'Brien has resigned as liaison to Highland Valley Elder Services H.V.E.S. The Board agreed to table discussion of finding a new delegate to replace her.

**Motion to adjourn.** (Seconded). The meeting was adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

**The next meeting** of the Williamsburg-Haydenville Council on Aging Board will be held at **12:15 on Weds. October 18, 2023 at the Town Offices in Haydenville, MA.**

