

Barnstable Council on Aging

Monthly Meeting - April 20, 2022

Present: John Jope, Cindy Loring, Lori Case, Josephine Melpignano, Anna Valtsakis,  
Jean Ahonen

Also Present: Jacqueline Easter, BCOA Interim Director; Monica Gutierrez, FBCOA  
President; Kathy Strudwick, FBCOA

Public Forum: John Alden

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM, and a quorum was met. Minutes from  
the March 16th meeting were approved as written.

Interim Director's Report: Jacqueline Easter

Center Activities:

- . On March 18th 400 7th graders participated in a Youth Commission Meeting.  
This is held before the transition to the high school building.
- . On March 29th the Vietnam Veterans Day of Remembrance was held.
- . On March 30th a Mass Hire event was held. 27 vendors were present, and 25  
individuals were able to gain job information from them.
- . Tentatively in the planning stages is a "55+ Community Safety Day" with Police,  
Fire, and Council on Aging participation.
- . New employee Kerri Pasquerella is at the front desk; the outreach position will be  
readvertised.

FBCOA: Monica Gutierrez

- . Membership and volunteer committees have been set up.

Old Business:

- . Report from Outreach Committee (attached)  
Jackie gave additional information about the project-based learning program at the  
Middle School. Another aspect of intergenerational activity in the planning stages  
is students interviewing older citizens at the Center.

New Business:

- . Discussion regarding long and short term goals for next year. Two long term goals decided upon are: (1) Informational Outreach in the Community and (2) To Encourage and Develop Intergenerational Programs and Activities. Short term goals supporting these are (1) Staffing a table at a "Unity Day" traditionally held in downtown Hyannis, and (2) organizing an annual birthday party for youth and senior participants at the Center.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Ahonen