

**Truro Council on Aging Board  
MINUTES  
1-10-23**

**PRESENT:** Dan Schreiner, Carol Bishop, Sue Girard-Irwin, Apryl Shenk, Kat Black  
**ABSENT:** Damion Clements  
**GUEST:** Kevin Grunwald

**Meeting called to order at 9:03.**

**Sue made a motion to accept the December meeting minutes. Apryl seconded. All voted in favor.**

**Damion was unable to attend due to a budget task force meeting. Discussion occurred regarding Damion's director's report. (See attached report.) New staffing information was reviewed. The COA newsletter status was discussed. There will be a meeting at the COA for seniors to meet with Town Manager Darrin Tangeman and Damion Clements on Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm.**

**Kat suggested that after we meet with the Town Manager, we should consider requesting to be on the agenda of a Select Board meeting. Kat feels that it's important to support Joan Holt's request which included many valid points. It is also important that we have a liaison from the Select Board who attends our meetings. We will ask for that at the January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

**Sue and Dan reported that they spoke with K.C. Myers from the Provincetown Independent about an article she is writing about the lack of staff at the COA. It may come out this week.**

**Kevin Grunwald introduced himself and let the Board know that he is interested in applying to serve on the COA Board. He thanked us for our advocacy. Kevin is on the Truro Housing Authority and he worked for five years at the Harwich COA. He let us know that Tuesday mornings don't work for him. In response, we agreed that our meetings don't have to be on Tuesdays. Sue made a motion and Apryl seconded to change our meetings to Wednesday mornings at 9 am. All voted in favor.**

**Jim Brown also thanked us for our advocacy. He reported that the Friends of the COA gave \$750 towards Stop and Shop gift cards to seniors for Christmas. The Friends also bought lock boxes for the Truro Police Dept. program to check on seniors (\$300). The Friends have invited the COA Board to their next meeting on January 17 at 10 am in person at the COA.**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:54 am. The next COA Board meeting is Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at 9:00 am.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

  
**Katherine Black**

