

Truro Council on Aging
MEETING MINUTES
May 10, 2023

PRESENT: Dan Schreiner, Apryl Shenk, Carol Bishop, Sue Girard-Irwin, Kevin Grunwald, Kat Black, Michelle Peterson

Meeting was called to order at 11:00 am.

- Sue made a motion to approve the April minutes. Carol seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.
- Discussion of the Board training in Harwich: improve efficiency of meetings, don't read submitted reports aloud, set goals for each meeting and review at beginning and close of meetings. The training was appreciated by all who attended. There was an excellent facilitator and a good amount of networking with other town's COA board members.
- Michelle reported that Jennifer Pierce resigned. There will be a need for help at the front desk until a new administrative assistant can be hired. It was asked whether a temp could be hired in the meantime. Michelle will check into that.
- A volunteer coordinator is needed. This is not necessarily a role that a volunteer can take on. Discussion about how the Senior Municipal Program works. Michelle will ask Damian for information. Maybe an announcement can be added to the Town website. Michelle will check on that.
- There will be a new Medicare SHINE session on June 16. We will be getting a regular SHINE volunteer monthly starting in the fall.
- Sue emailed Nauset High School to get the ball rolling on creating an intergenerational program utilizing students to provide IT help, companionship, etc.
- Michelle is working with Austin on intergenerational programs such as a movie night.
- Sue suggested having new focus groups in the fall.
- Jim Brown reported that the Friends of the COA paid for last month's newsletter. They will be having their annual meeting on June 4 with a catered meal at the Community Center.
- We should start talking about our Health Fair to be held in the fall.
- On June 8th there will be a Volunteer Luncheon.
- Kevin will be attending the upcoming Select Board meeting and will speak during public comment about opening on Mondays.
- Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted


Katherine Black

