

Minutes

Easton Senior Center Advisory Board

November 14, 2023

3:30 p.m. Easton Senior Center

Present: Althea J. Falco; Prabha Gupta; Pat Camuto; Slavica Prevelige; Wendy Bowditch; Jim Bromer; Eunice Hanson; Mary Ann Freeman was present via phone. Val Buckley and Randy Shapiro.

Excused absence: Sally England

1. The chair, Althea J. Falco, called the meeting to order at 3:35 pm.
2. Mary Ann moved, Wendy seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2023 Advisory Board Meeting with one amendment. The Veterans Breakfast was scheduled for November 13<sup>th</sup>, not November 16<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried unanimously as amended.
3. Val addressed the following items in her Executive Director's Report. The Center continues with the established COVID protocols, i.e. visitors sign-in, and the wearing of masks as per choice. The Holiday Boutique sale raised \$1000 on the opening day. The Christmas Raffle tickets have been handed out to many and sales of tickets have started. More volunteers are needed for the Boutique sale and to sell the Raffle tickets. This year, 120 bags of food have been made for the Thanksgiving food donation. Several organizations, the PBA, the Exchange Club, Parks and Recreation, and others, have made contributions. The Veterans breakfast was a huge success and 25 pictures were published in the Easton Courier. Flu Clinics were very successful. This time, there was a provision for Flu, Covid, Shingrix and RSV shots. The students of The Speech Academy made 60 apple pies in a cross-generational program at the center to be delivered to seniors. This winter, in the event of snow and ice, there will be no transportation but the center will still provide certain services, such as picking up medications and groceries for the seniors. The center has hired a substitute bus driver while the current driver rehabs from surgery. The Easton Diversity and Inclusion Task Force made a request to hold an event at the center in 2024. Voluntary donations by those attending can be made to benefit the center. Wendy made a motion to approve this event and Althea seconded it. Motion carried unanimously.

The dates scheduled for Advisory Board meetings for year 2024 are:

January 9th, February 13th, March 12th, April 9th, May 14th, June 11th, July 9th, no August meeting, September 10th, October 8th, November 12th and no December meeting. Meetings for 2025 in January and February are on 14th and 11th respectively.

Wendy moved to adjourn the meeting, Eunice seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m. There will be no meeting in December. The next scheduled regular meeting of the Easton Senior Center Advisory Board is January 9, 2024; at 3:30 pm at the Easton Senior Center.

SUBMITTED BY PRABHA GUPTA, SECRETARY