FCOA MINUTES

April 19, 2019

Attending: Diana Bishop, Suzanne Caton, Peter Holland, Janice Kennedy, Lorain Marquis, Rebecca Morris, Shirley Stolz, Jane Trudeau, Chris Worcester.

COA Liaison: Ellen Cameron. Guest, Geri O’Neil.

Staff: Hemali Shah, Asst Director of Human Services, Tom Romano, Recreation Programming, Melissa Interess, Human Services Director.

Hemali Shah has been promoted to Assistant Director of Human Services. We are delighted. Her former position of Senior Programming Director will be listed for hire in July.

1. The Minutes of the March 21, 2019 were accepted.
2. The Treasurers Report is attached.
3. Staff Reports.
   a. Discovery day is May 25 from 10AM to 3PM. We will need volunteers to staff our table.
   i. A raffle is suggested. Free classes suggested.
   b. Trips. May trip to Pilgrim Bell and lunch in Plymouth. June a trip to Maine for a lobster bake. Both are almost filled.
4. Proposal for us to fund a recreation program for Seniors suggested by the National Arthritis Foundation, “Walk With Ease”. Ellen Cameron would be the leader of three one-hour walks per week from 10AM to 11AM for six weeks. The first walk is scheduled for April 22 with six weeks of walks ending on May 31st. We voted $875.00 to fund the instructor as a pilot program. The cost to participants is $10.00.
5. OWLL. Next Fall classes to be offered are booked. The Committee is working on Spring of 2020.
6. The sensory garden funded by us as a Bright Idea will be dedicated on Arbor Day, Friday, April 26, 2019 at 11 AM. We have decided to ask permission to install a bench with a plaque to John and Delores Furnstahl. Peter will speak with Christine Dean about feasibility and Lorain Marquis will look into obtaining a bench and the type of plaque used by the Town. Jane will invite Rosemary Bond, their daughter, to attend dedication. You are all invited.
7. Annual Meeting. We are required to hold an Annual Meeting to have officers elected and the votes taken by us during the year approved by the membership. All donors are members. We decided to use our lists and Center lists to gather e-mail addresses for our donors and send an electronic invitation. Lorain, Suzanne and Rebecca are going to work on this. Our Annual Meeting will be our June 21, 2019 regular Thursday meeting.

Jane Trudeau