**COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD**

**Minutes June 13,2022, 10:30 a.m.**

**Members Present**: Chair Nancy Butler, Inez Murphy, Geri Cellini, Dottie Martel, Cindy Bloomquist, David Zeoli

**Members Absent:** 0

**Friends of COA Present:** Geri Cellini, Helen Reynolds, Cindy Bloomquist.

**Guests Present**: Jean Pacheco, Colleen Thompson, Tally Carruthers, John Traynor., Brenda Traynor,

 Linda Norrie.

**1. Opening:** Chair Nancy Butler

**2. Minutes:** May Minutesapproved as written.

**3. Reports:**

A. Administrative Assistant-Jean Pacheco

1. Food Pantry served: 31 people - 12 households.

2. Warrants paid: May $ 1816.50. Cultural Grant paid $150.00.

B. Friends of COA reported $ 5551.11. A total of $47.99 was spent for a raffle basket.

C. Dottie Martel reported on OCES Dottie has rescinded her resignation from OCES board. Meetings will continue to be held via Zoom. There was no report this month.

D. Director’s report:

* 1. Colleen reported the payment for the lunches for Parents day went from 75.00 to $100.00.
	2. Mary Ellen DeFrias was selected as the GATRA administrator beginning in June with limited hours. Question regarding the use of GATRA was posed. The use of our own vehicles, their drivers, our drives, shopping, medical and MBTA. All of this will be taken into consideration for use of GATRA.
	3. Parents Day was a successful event. The entertainment was superb and everyone enjoyed their day. A raffle of flowers and the Italian basket was won by Brenda and John Traynor. However, John offered up his flowers to be won by someone else. Colleen sent pictures to the paper, but due to other postings such as graduation, the pictures have yet to be printed.
	4. Shannon Maxwell suggested a presentation by a medical professional on cannabis and its many benefits. Colleen will look into it.
	5. For our fall event, it was unanimously agreed upon to have a pie and ice cream event. Steve Lanzilotta on keyboard was recommended as our event entertainment. The last week in September or first week in October was suggested as the timing for this event.
	6. The cookout in August will be at the Upland Club pavilion Jean will contact Mike from the Club for details.

 7. The recent trip to the Blake Planetarium was well received. Colleen graciously drove the

 van for some of the seniors. The presentation was interesting and well done by Steve Davies of the Plymouth Intermediate school science department.

 8. Discussion regarding robocalls was met with approval.

 9 .Memorial Day was deemed a great success with a large town turnout.

 E. BOS Report by Selectman John Traynor

 1.Spoke about Federal Grant money, ARPA, transportation and recovery grants. Town Properties

 Committee are making a list, prioritizing how the money will be spent.

 2.The paving and insertion of the traffic lights should alleviate traffic around Montello Street and

 Entrance to the new Carver development project.

 3.The Harry Jason land on Center Street was considered for expanded purposes, one of which is a dog park.

 4. Tally Carruthers raised a concern regarding the water supply in Plympton and Middleboro because of the Carver project. She also cited traffic issues.

 **Updates and Discussions:**

**5.Next Board Meeting**: July 11, 2022, 10:30 a.m.

**6. Adjournment** 12:00 p.m.

Minutes taken by Geri Cellini transcribed by COA staff.