

**Town of East Greenwich
Community and Senior Center Advisory Committee
Swift Community Center, 121 Peirce Street, East Greenwich, RI 02818
February 28, 2017**

Members present: Carlo Ciasullo, George Coleman, Joyce Coleman, Aurelia Dicecco, Terry Grausgruber, Kathleen Healey, Rosemary Kelly, Edward Oliver, Marilyn Oliver and Maureen Tortolanni

Staff: Erin McAndrew, Carol Tudino

The meeting began at 1:00 p.m.

The December 2016 minutes were reviewed. The January meeting was canceled due to inclement weather. Terry Grausgruber made a motion to approve the December minutes. Maureen Tortolanni seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Erin McAndrew gave an explanation of the meal site nutrition meeting held at the South Kingstown Senior Center on January 24th. Attendees included representatives from the seven meal sites that serve food provided by Encore Catering, Dave and Kathy Monaco owners of Encore and Westbay Community Action nutrition employees. The group met to discuss upcoming menus, quality and quantity of food and delivery times. The meeting was very positive and some changes will be made going forward with regards to items on the menu and portion size.

Erin McAndrew revised Article III, Sections 1 and 2 of the Committee By-laws. Sections 1 and 2 were redundant and have been combined into one section. Members reviewed the revision and did not suggest any additional changes. The Committee will vote on the revision at the March meeting.

Students from New England Technical Institute will offer a free Assistance Device Screening at Swift on Thursday, March 9th from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Students will properly adjust any assistance device (cane, walker, wheel chair) to specifically fit the individual user, clean and provide repairs of devices if needed, replace tennis balls, rubber caps or adjust grips and ensure the individual is using the device most efficiently. Terry Grausgruber will distribute flyers at Shoreside Apartments. Flyers have been placed in the Swift lobby.

Erin McAndrew was asked to send meeting reminders to professionals who are on the Advisory Committee.

The Nominating Committee recommended two new members; Jenny Miller and Mary Rossetti. Rosemary Kelly made a motion to approve Jenny Miller to a three year term beginning March 28, 2017. Maureen Tortolanni seconded the motion. Jenny Miller's appointment was approved unanimously.

Kathy Healey made a motion to appoint Mary Rossetti to a three year term beginning March 28, 2017. Terry Grausgruber seconded the motion. Mary Rossetti's appointment was approved unanimously. The committee asked Erin to notify the new members about their appointments.

The committee discussed upcoming programs:

- March is the month for the Department's annual membership drive. The membership fee is \$5 per person/per year. The fee includes a discount on classes, receiving the monthly newsletter in the mail and preference when registering for special trips.
- A Saint Patrick's Day Luncheon will be held at Swift on March 16th at noon.
- Free income tax preparation appointments are offered at Swift on Wednesday mornings through April 12th.
- Beginner Line Dancing has been changed from every other Tuesday at 12:15 p.m. to every Tuesday due to interest in the program.
- An Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group is offered at Swift on the third Wednesday of the month at 1:00 p.m.
- A Prevnar 13 Pneumonia Vaccine Clinic will be held at Swift on March 23rd from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Maureen Tortolanni made a motion to adjourn. Terry Grausgruber seconded the motion.

The meeting ended at 1:50 p.m.