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Minutes of the Commission on Aging Monthly Meeting  
June 6, 2012

Attendees: Doris Armstrong, Representative David Baram, Jeannine Belisle, Barbara Bloom, Fannie Gabriel, Yvette Huyghue-Pannell (Senior Center Liaison), Janet Lamenzo, Al LeFebvre, Lucille Morisse, Toby Neuwirth, Paul Pelletier, Councilman Leon Rivers, Gus Walek

Absent: Paula Walek, Annette Walters

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 p.m. Jeannine made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 2, 2012 meeting. Toby seconded. The minutes were accepted as presented.

David brought everyone up to date on capitol issues that are of interest to seniors. He spoke about new laws regarding grandparents' rights and hospice care, as well as legislation regarding Medicare. He also spoke about the repeal of the death penalty, the legislation regarding the medical use of marijuana, education reform, and Sunday sales of alcoholic beverages.

Yvette commented on the lovely dedication ceremony and reception for the renaming of the Wintonbury branch library to the P. Faith McMahon Wintonbury Library. She said that Barbara and the committee organized a wonderful tribute.

She noted that the Senior Center has two interns for the summer: Kristina from College of the Holy Cross, and Jennifer from Manchester Community College. She also thanked the Commission on Aging for sponsoring and volunteering at the May Thursday evening Open House. She spoke about the Bloomfield High School Senior Appreciation Concert/Luncheon. She also reminded everyone about the 5th Annual Senior Expo on September 4.

Lucille presented an update on TRIAD.

Paul talked about "Are You O.K.," an electronic reassurance program for seniors and disabled individuals that is currently operating in 45 states. He will speak with John Nelson of the Connecticut State Commission on Aging with regard to funding for implementation of the program.

The Music Makers will perform tomorrow night at the first summer concert on the green. Leon said that it will be held at Bloomfield High School.

The next meeting will be held at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, September 5. Have a great summer.

Toby made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Janet seconded. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Bloom  
Recording Secretary