

**Bedford Council on Aging
Minutes of Board Meeting
13 November 2012**

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:20 PM.

2. Attendance:

Board: John Gerdes, Polly Salter, Luigi DiNapoli, Bobbie Ennis,
Pete Malo.

Staff: Lori Wittner.

Selectman Liaison: William Moonan.

3. The minutes of the 25 September 2012 meeting were accepted as submitted.

4. Financial Report:

Continue to be in good shape. Major expenses were travel to attend the Mass. COA Conference, and the purchase of printer ink.

We have received yet another \$10K grant from Carleton-Willard for the Wheels of Life program.

The COA is planning a December trip to the Concord Museum followed by lunch at the Wayside Inn in Sudbury. To minimize costs, the intent is to use the local Bedford Charter bus service (school buses). The appropriateness of using funds from the COA budget to support the trip was discussed. A motion was made, seconded and passed (4 to 1) to use a maximum of \$200.00 for the purpose.

5. Supporting Organization Reports:

FBCOA:

An agreement is in the works with Bruegger's Bagels to participate in their program of donating 15% of a given day's intake to non-profit organizations like the FBCOA. Once a day has been selected, we need to publicize and encourage patronage.

Minuteman Senior Services:

The annual election of officers took place at the November meeting. The guest speaker was Jason Lewis, the newly elected State Representative from Winchester who spoke on the next phase of Mass. Health Care which will deliver services more efficiently and be cost effective.

Fund raising – There will be a direct mail campaign, and an on-line holiday auction from December 10 to 19.

MSS will begin serving those in the 18 to 64 age group who are on Medicare and Mass. Health.

6. Old business:

Statistics outlining the Elder Services Coordinator's activities for the past months were reviewed.

Volunteers are needed to pick up pastries from Starbucks during the week.

The continued absence of one Board Member was discussed. The correspondence concerning the situation was reviewed in detail. In conclusion, all attendees agreed that the problem should be referred to the Board of Selectmen for further action.

7. New business.

Selectman Moonan reminded all of the Special Town Meeting to be held tonight.

8. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 12:15 PM, 8 January 2013.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.