

Branford Commission of Services for the Elderly

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Meeting Minutes September 8, 2022

Call to Order - The Zoom Meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm by Chair Laurie Rockwell. Also present: Pat Torre, Ellen Carucci, Pat Brownell and Jean Richo. Director Dagmar Ridgway, Activities Coordinator Nancy Cohen and Tim Kron, Transportation Coordinator were also in attendance.

- I. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting February 10, 2022 – On a motion by Pat Brownell and Seconded by Ellen Carucci the minutes were unanimously approved.
- II. Dagmar Ridgway presented the Director's Report. The Transportation Coordinator position was discussed and Tim Kron was introduced. He replaced Blair McKenna and is a welcome addition to the staff. Dagmar then moved on to the Financials and acknowledged the generosity of the Homemaker's Thrift Shop's ongoing support along with other donors. Only the Employee Testing account is in a deficit situation for F/Y 2022 and a transfer will be made. There is currently \$438,116 in the Endowment account and Dagmar is working on a variety of Grants to bring into the Center. (It appears the meeting may be ending early and concerned is expressed.) A lot of new members are coming in and we are welcoming many new instructors also. She then briefly reviewed the Social Services Report. The Caseworker position has still not been filled and Marlow has been doing an amazing job for the past 11 months. Renewed efforts to fill the vacancy are being sought. Dagmar informed the Commission that the Annual Report needs to be done, preferably before December and the 2023 Meeting Schedule needs to be addressed at the next meeting in November.
- III. Nancy Cohen briefly spoke of some upcoming Program Activities.
- IV. Dagmar previously updated the Commission regarding Social Services.
- V. Citizen's Comments – No citizens were present for the duration of the meeting.
- VI. The Zoom Meeting ended at 5:22 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Doreen F. Denhardt, Commission Clerk.