

**Cambridge Council on Aging**  
**MEETING REMINDER AND AGENDA**

**COA BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday October 13, 2009 9:30 a.m.**

**AGENDA:**

- 1. President's welcome**
- 2. Review/Acceptance of minutes from meeting of September 9, 2009**

**3. Reports**

**COA Executive Director**  
**Client Services**  
**Citywide Senior Center**  
**North Cambridge Senior Center**

**4. Old Business**

**5. New Business**

## **Minutes of Board meeting of September 8, 2009**

Board Members Present: Pat Burgess, Bill Cobham, Mary Ann Dalton, Mollie Gadarowski, Carmela Schipani, and Edna Stamp.

Staff Present: Eileen Ginnetty, Pat Johnson, Susan Pacheco and Emma Watkins.

Status of Board membership;

COA Board will need one senior participant and one agency member while one recommendation has been sent to the City Manager for approval.

The Minutes from June 9, 2009 meeting were accepted.

**COA Executive Director's Report;** Eileen updated the board on the most recent budget announcements. Mary Ann Dalton alerted the board that participants of home care services will have to go on a wait list impacting thousands due to cuts in service. Mollie Gadarowski reported that Windsor House is "OK". Lisa Harnett reported major cuts at CASCAP focusing on two existing contracts which help them stay "afloat".

Portraits recently taken by Susan Young Photography were displayed at the Clear Conscience Cafe in Cambridge. The exhibition was well received.

The Election Commission is expecting a longer count for City Councilors due to a late candidate conducting a sticker campaign. These ballots must be hand-counted.

Donn Hockman will be walking for the Multiple Sclerosis Society and Mollie Gadarowski will also be walking for the Alzheimer's Association.

**Client Services;** The Cambridge Public Health Department will be sponsoring Flu Clinics. A citywide listing will be inserted in our October Newslines. On October 8 from 1-2 a Home Energy Efficiency and Fuel Assistance Program will be presented. Susan announced that the Registry of Motor Vehicles presentation "Shifting Gears" will take place October 29.

Final candidates are being considered for the Information and Referral Specialist position.

**Citywide Senior Center;** Citywide's front desk receptionist's position has been filled by Kasey Nowalk who will be working Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

MIT students just completed a study here of senior's interaction with a Robot.

Robert Castagna's Photography class will continue.

Our 14th anniversary luncheon party will be on October 22.

On October 27 "Mysterious Universe," a lecture on astronomy will be presented.

**Old Business: N/A**

**New Business:** Names were submitted for nomination of the offices: president and vice president. Bill Cobham was nominated for president, and Mollie Gadarowski was nominated for Vice President. The COA Board voted in these two candidates. The vote was accepted unanimously. The board adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Johnson , CCOA