

**MINUTES OF THE  
CRANBURY TOWNSHIP HUMAN SERVICES BOARD  
CRANBURY, NEW JERSEY  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY**

**TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING**

A meeting of the Cranbury Township Human Services Board was held in Town Hall on October 20, 2009, at 1:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

With a quorum present, Rosemary Seghatoleslami, Chairwoman of the Cranbury Township Human Services Board, called the meeting to order and acted as the Chairwoman thereof, and Kristen H. Hamilton acted as Recording Secretary of the meeting.

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Rosemary Seghatoleslami, Phyllis Bialor, Anna Johnson, Marie Perrine, Betty Conover, Jay Hansen, Arlene Duran and Marilyn Mullen.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the September 15, 2009, meeting were reviewed and approved.

**FINANCE REPORT**

The Human Services Board reviewed expenditures to date.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Senior Community Center –**

**Furnishings/Improvements:**

Hand sanitizer has been purchased for use in the room.

The Secretary will ask if the electrical outlet in the floor of the stage can be repaired and will also ask that the heat vents be checked since some do not put out much heat.

**Reconfiguration of Stage Area:**

Phyllis Bialor advised that she again spoke with Greg Farrington, Construction Official, about the possibility of hanging a drape across the stage area. It was determined that the drape would block the main source of heat in the room, would have to be hung below the vent and would have to be flame retardant.

It was originally suggested that the file cabinets be disposed of; however, it was agreed they should be retained for storage purposes.

Reconfiguration of the items on the stage will be addressed after November 3, Election Day.

**On-Going Programming:**

Approximately 25 people attended the September 25, 2009, lunch and book talk and swap.

Approximately 27 people attended the October 9, 2009, lunch and Trans-Siberian Railway Trip program, with an additional 12 people coming just for the program.

Anna Johnson reported that 15 people have signed up for knitting, with 9 attending the first session on October 1, 2009, and 7 attending on October 15, 2009. The next knitting group will be held on October 29<sup>th</sup>, with the group meeting every other Thursday. It was suggested changing the knitting group to the first and third Thursday

so as to not interfere with the setting up of Friday luncheons. After much discussion, the knitting group will continue meeting every other Thursday as originally planned.

The following programs are scheduled for the remainder of 2009:

October 23, 2009 – Lunch and “The History of the Cranbury Inn and Its Spirits and Entities” by Gay Ingegneri.

November 13, 2009 – Lunch and Wii Games.

December 11, 2009 – Lunch and holiday program by Arthur Einhorn.

The following are program dates for 2010. All of the programs will include lunch.

January 8, 2010 – Movie (possibly “Frost/Nixon”).

January 22, 2010 – Robert Burns Birthday Celebration with Gordon Fraser playing the bagpipes.

February 12, 2010 – “The Frank and Marilyn Show”.

February 26, 2010 – Possibly a speaker from the Middlesex County Health Department.

March 12, 2010 – St. Patrick’s Day Program. Step dancing demonstration by the Kennedy-Moore girls and Ireland trip photos by Marilyn Mullen.

March 26, 2010 – After some discussion, it was decided that the Senior Center would not be conducive to Easter egg dying. An Easter bonnet competition and Easter show and tell will be held.

April 9, 2010 – Marilyn Mullen has contacted Spook Handy, a folk singer, and is waiting for a response as to his availability.

April 23, 2010 – Pharmaceutical Jeopardy by Princeton Healthcare.

May 7, 2010 - TBD

May 21, 2010 - TBD

June 11, 2010 - TBD

June 25, 2010 – TBD

July 16, 2010 – TBD

August 20, 2010 – TBD

September 10, 2010 - TBD

September 24, 2010 – Tom Patrino of Time Travel Antiques has been confirmed.

October 8, 2010 – TBD

October 22, 2010 – TBD

November 12, 2010 – TBD

December 10, 2010 – TBD

Pursuant to a request received from Betty Conover, the Secretary prepared letters to the Middlesex County Health Department and the Middlesex County Surrogate’s Office asking them to present programs at the Senior Center and a letter to Margaret Chester asking her to attend a Human Services Board meeting to present information on services available to senior citizens.

Betty Conover advised that Princeton Healthcare would do a program on Lifeline. The Board decided against this program and offered to have brochures available.

Arlene Duran recommended that someone welcome people to programs before lunch is served and to wait until everyone has arrived before serving lunch. This has been a problem in the past with no one welcoming attendees and sometimes lunch starting before all guests have arrived. It is the consensus of the Board that people like being personally served rather than having to help themselves buffet style.

Anna Johnson suggested that small water bottles be available at lunches. Rosemary Seghatoleslami will purchase same before the next luncheon. Coffee and hot water will also be prepared for the next luncheon.

**Revisions to Room Use Policy:** This matter was tabled until the November meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2010 Meeting Dates:**

The Board will continue to meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m., with no meeting in August.

## **DISCUSSION**

Cranbury's continued relationship with Plainsboro Township was discussed. Cranbury is eligible to receive the same services as previously in place under Jan Bayern. This information should be announced during programs and be included in the next Township newsletter. It was suggested that business cards or a handout from Plainsboro be available for residents and also be given to local churches.

## **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify:

That I am duly elected and acting secretary of the Cranbury Township Human Services Board and,

That the foregoing minutes of the Human Services Board, held on October 20, 2009, consisting of 3 pages, constitute a true and correct copy of the minutes of the said meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed the name of said Human Services Board the 17th day of November, 2009.

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Kristen H. Hamilton, Secretary