

BrooklineCAN Steering Committee Notes

April 17, 2019

Attendees: Frank Caro, Ruthann Dobek, John Seay, Elenore Parker, Ruth Seidman, David Trevvett, Matt Weiss.

1. Note Taker

- a. Matt Weiss.

2. Nominating committee for 2019

- a. Positions that need filling in 2019
 - i No positions up for reappointment as all are mid-2 year terms.
 - ii Officers are Frank Caro/Co-Chair, Ruthann Dobek/Co-Chair, Elenore Parker/Vice-Chair, John Seay/Treasurer, and Matt Weiss/Secretary.
 - iii Need representatives from HSL/CCB and Goddard – Katherine Burns is JF&CS representative.
- b. Appointment of committee
 - i Nominating committee was selected – Ruthann Dobek and Matt Weiss.
 - ii Need to checkout committees status and representatives.

3. Measures to strengthen committees, follow-up on February and March discussion

- a. Livability forum – discussion considering expanding LCAC meetings to a night forum to attract others.
 - i Suggested forum on retirement opportunities.
 - ii LCAC opportunities for forums include but not limited to – micro mobility, Bridal Path, street lighting, transportation, financials, and housing.
 - iii Idea for evening forums was approved but concern that Frank Caro always the center.

4. Plans for Election Forum on April 30

- a. Expansion of forum to include more candidates
 - i Scope expanded to include School Committee, Housing and Question 1.
 - ii Forms and information re becoming members will be provided by David Trevvett.
 - iii John Seay pitch for BrooklineCAN will be included.
 - iv Person needed for timing of questions/answers. (Roberta?)

5. Update on advocacy for TRIPPS and subsidized transportation funding

- a. John Seay and Ruthann Dobek indicated they will put TRIPPS report on the BrooklineCAN and Senior Center websites.

- b. Ruthann reminded the committee that we have to work on a plan to use Uber/Lyft tax money that is returned to Brookline.
- c. Ruthann reminded committee there is a November vote on the allocation of the tax money.
- d. May/June learn amount involved.

6. Next steps on business memberships

- a. David Trevvett agreed to update the membership text for businesses on the website. All agreed we need a decal for business memberships.
- b. It was suggested that there also be a link to Age Friendly Businesses.

7. Update on Age-Friendly Business campaign – No further report.

8. Treasurer's Report

- a. Brookline Multi-services Senior Center report is no issues.

9. Committee Reports

- a. Finance
 - i See Treasurer's report.
 - ii JF&CS is again sponsoring public housing and low income members.
- b. Annual Meeting
 - i Elenore Parker reported the committee met and accomplished a lot.
 - ii Committee will meet next on May 20th.
- c. Communications
 - i Next AFC-TV episode 22 is on recreational marijuana.
 - ii News release on April 25th presentation by John LeLand's "Happiness is a Choice You Make".
- d. Membership
 - i 381 active members
 - ii JF&CS sponsored low income and members.
- e. Education
 - i 4/25/2019 from 6-8pm – John LeLand's "Happiness is a Choice You Make".
 - ii 4/30/2019 – Candidates Afternoon at the Brookline Senior Center.
 - iii 5/16/2019 form 6-7:30pm – Aileen Gerhardt's "Navigating Your Healthcare: Tip[s and Tools for Empowered Patient"
 - iv 6/11/2019 – Ruth Nemzoff's "Family Ties Got You in Knots?"
- f. LCAC & Age Friendly Cities Committee
 - i Release of report on Age-Friendly accomplishments & plans – Editing by Ruthann Dobek followed by electronic publishing.

- ii Progress with pedestrian-friendly street lighting warrant article – Next step is Select Board acceptance of Advisory Committee language.
 - g. Member Volunteering – No Report.
 - h. Repair & Referrals – Need new committee members.
- 10. New Business**
 - a. JF&CS will reprint the Parks Brochure for distribution.
- 11. Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 3pm.**