

12/13/23 Plainfield COA Board Meeting Agenda;

Approval of November 8, 2023 minutes

Coordinator updates

- Need to continue advertising HCDC Driver Pool program. Joan Griswold submitted first invoice towards the grant and ¼ of the funds are spent. They hired 2 new drivers.
- Did not get MCOA grant to collaborate with Earthdance in Farm to Table proposal.
- Have 14 people registered for Dec Covid clinic...meeting quota for grant! Please let people know we have Covid test kits on hand (Ellen has some too)
- Northern Hilltown Consortium website has a fresh look and we will be actively trying to get people directed to the site.
- Polly has been accepted on HVES board. Will participate in January's meeting.
- Mary and Bonnie still need to do LBGTQ training.
- Discussed Technology grant at Consortium meeting. They now have forms to officially request free internet hook-up and equipment. Discounted internet service is available through the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP).
- Also discussed distribution of "Critical Binders". Should we get back to this?
- Earthdance exercise class and luncheon was a hit has 12-15 participants each class. Will continue class in January and COA will subsidize lunch @ \$5/person and part of rental for space \$20/week.
- Laura Wetzler concert was a huge success. She paid for Jim Armenti to join her. I gave her an extra \$100 from the \$178 we received in donations. The remaining \$78 is going to the cleaning fee (\$100) that the church charged.

Programming:

- January exercise class at Earthdance
- TRIAD representative possibly coming to January luncheon.
- No dancing with Polly or Memory Support group anymore. It has morphed into...
- **Need a friend?** Participate in "Coffee Hour with Polly". She will chat (dance?) with you for any reason, anywhere, anytime. Whether you just need company or help with something, she will be there to listen and provide guidance if needed. "Just call if you need a friend and I'll be there" 413-212-1581 or email her at pryan@town.plainfield.ma.us
- Other ideas?