

Truro Council on Aging
Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2025

PRESENT: Dan Schreiner, Susan Rocca, Kevin Grunwald, Barbara Bond, Deborah Smulian, Jim Brown, Friends of the Truro COA; Susan Girard-Irwin, Select Board liaison; Michelle Peterson, Deputy Director, Stephanie Rein, Select Board Member, Carol Bishop.

- Meeting called to order at 8:00 am.
- January minutes were put off till the next meeting.
- Dan started by talking about the proposed survey. He feels that we already know a lot, but need to develop a long-term action plan. Stephanie said that the plans and goals need to be data-driven; not just based on what we know. She suggested bringing this discussion to the SB, and the COA board needs to be part of the RFP discussion. Unanimous approval to have Dan and Deborah be part of the RFP process. Stephanie stated that there is Board desire for boards and committees to collaborate more.
- Michelle gave the highlights of the Outreach report. Only minor changes in attendance over the past month. There has been an increase in home visits.
- Fuel assistance is becoming more active. Flyers about the program have been distributed.
- Volunteers are needed for serving lunch.
- There's a presentation about tax exemptions coming up.
- Jim reported that the Friends of the COA are doing well in terms of fundraising. He feels like this is an indication that the COA is doing well. They have received some large donations recently.
- Sue is doing research on the feasibility of a friendly visitor program.
- The next Annual Town Meeting is May 3. The Town election is May 13.
- Next meeting is March 12, 8 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Black

