

Bristol County Estate Planning Council
Board Meeting
BayCoast Bank, Swansea
June 2, 2014

Present: Patricia Bloom-McDonald, Ellen Connors, Pam Lasher, Debbie Maltais, Trish Robertson, Robin Smith, Luke Travis, Brandon Walecka. John Collins via phone

Called to order 8:40 a.m.

1. **Secretary's Report:** None.
 2. **Treasurer's Report:** None. Jim will wrap up the year and then pass all information on to Luke as the new treasurer.
 3. **Membership:** Brandon compiled a list of previous Board members that are not current members, we should review and reach out to some of them; and also a list of other local organizations that might have members that are interested in BCEPC/topics. We should consistently reach out to other local Estate Planning Councils - Paula Freedman is stepping down as President of Norfolk/Plymouth so we should get new contact info.
 4. **Annual Meeting Feedback:** Room was nice, good set up. Food was good/fine.
 5. **Committees:** Brandon reviewed the different committees and asked Board members to join.
Jay Sullivan Award – Deb will remain on and serve as chair;
Membership: John and Jerry are co-chairs;
Networking – Trish will remain to finish current donation event, Ellen will remain, Patricia will join, Robin will serve as chair, Karen Melo offered to be ad-hoc member if we chose to repeat case studies event;
Programs: Ellen and Pam are co-chairs;
Sponsorship: Deb and Patricia volunteered;
- Others are welcomed to join in and it can be valuable to ad in members from general membership as well.
6. **Program Committee:** Brandon compiled a list of previous speaker as a reference for choosing speakers for the coming year. Summer Social, Wednesday, August 6th at 4 pm at Westport Rivers Winery. We will receive a tour and tasting. Cost will be \$15 per person; BCEPC will provide light hors d'oeuvres. (Addendum: will provide a wine basket to raffle as well.) Trish will make up flyer.

Emergency kits will be assembled prior to 9/18 dinner meeting. List of needed items will be sent to Board and then all members. Patricia will reach out to Ken Anding, with Bay Financial, about speaking in September of the Fall. Pam will also look at some of the

brokers who offer CEU programs. Ellen will reach out to Mass Association of CPA to see what they are currently doing and what we can do to interest them in BCEPC.

Discussed other speaker possibilities such as gubernatorial candidates; Secretary of Elder Affairs; the Gerontologist that spoke at MA NAELA; a CEU event for CPAs (best done after tax season), reverse mortgages. Meeting dates include October 16th and November 20th.

Next Board Meeting: August 4, 2014 at Bristol Elder Services, Fall River and then September 8th at BayCoast Bank, Swansea, MA

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Trish Robertson
Secretary