

Bristol County Estate Planning Council  
Board Meeting  
BayCoast Bank  
September 8, 2014

**Present:** Patricia Bloom-McDonald, John Collins, Ellen Connors, Diane Graca, Jennifer Heald, Joan Jakuboski, Pam Lasher, Deb Maltais, Trish Robertson, Robin Smith, Luke Travis, Brandon Walecka.

**Called to order** 8:35 a.m.

1. **Secretary's Report:** A motion to accept the minutes of the August 4<sup>th</sup> meeting was made by Robin, seconded by Diane. Correction was noted by Jennifer that she was in attendance. Motion with correction passed unanimously.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Luke noted that there were no significant changes, dues were starting to come in (16 as of this morning) and would be deposited.
3. **Annual Meeting with NPEPC:** Group agreed that the proposed speaker was too pricey (\$4,000) for the topic/expected draw. Brandon will express a thank you but no thank you and suggest that 2016 Annual Meeting might be a possibility.

4. **Program Committee:**  
September 18<sup>th</sup>, Holiday Inn Mansfield - Ken Anding will speak about LTC Insurance.  
October 16<sup>th</sup> breakfast meeting at BayCoast, Ellen will speak about the changes in Reverse Mortgages. (Note – this was later changed to October 23<sup>rd</sup>.)  
November 20<sup>th</sup> – Stoneforge Raynham – James Roehm will speak about Planned Giving/Philanthropy

Emergency Backpacks – several items have been committed and should be dropped off to Trish or Ellen, or brought by 5 pm on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

Triad/Taunton Housing – Ruth Lima has indicated to Ellen that Tuesdays in November would be best. Ellen to follow up.

5. **Membership:**  
16 membership renewals to date.  
Thom Miller, Plimouth Investment Advisors, is a new applicant – Board agreed to accepting application.  
(Note – via email three other members were accepted: Janie Nadeau Cody, Esq., LL.M. Cody, Cody, Cusano & McCarthy, LLC – Quincy; Janis Sallinger, Law Office of Janis Sallinger – Swansea; Robert Marchand, Robert Marchand Attorney at Law – Fall River)  
John had drafted a letter for potential new members – it was reviewed and suggestions made.  
The brochure had been emailed previously, no suggestion for changes were made. John will look at and try to update.

6. **Brainstorming:** Discussed possible meeting topics and overall improvements. The idea of offering more CEUs came up again. Diane will reach out to Paula Freedman of the Norfolk/Plymouth Council to learn how they have handled it. Robin will reach out to November's speaker to see if he is able to offer them.
7. **National Conference:** Brandon will be booking his trip. Council agrees to up to \$2,000 in expenses for directly related items (registration, airfare, hotel...)

**Next Board Meeting:** Will be October 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am at Bristol Elder Services. (Note: Luke will not be in attendance.)

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Trish Robertson  
Secretary