

# ARPA Committee Meeting Minutes

August 3, 2022 at 11:00am

Zoom Teleconference

## Attendees:

Kate Reid

Scott Triola

Joan Ingersoll (Director, Carlisle Council on Aging)

### • Review and approve prior meeting minutes

- Prior meeting minutes were not distributed for this meeting. Minutes will be reviewed/approved at the next meeting.

### • Review new ARPA funding requests

- Council on Aging (COA) Mental Health/Nutrition Support approved funding adjustments
  - Based on demand, COA is requesting that \$15k in approved ARPA funds be moved from the Online Mental Health Counseling COVID Program to Nutrition Support for Seniors in Need.
  - Director of COA explained that demand for nutrition support has exceeded initial estimates while demand for online mental health counseling has been lower than initial estimates. This transfer is expected to allow both programs to continue until the end of the fiscal year.
  - Positive feedback has been received for both programs and ARPA committee commended the COA on the work they have done to create and support these programs.
  - ARPA Committee confirmed that the requested transfer will require Select Board approval.
  - *MOTION*: Kate Reid made the motion to recommend the Select Board *decrease* ARPA funding for the Online Mental Counseling COVID program from \$30k to \$15k and *increase* ARPA funding for the Nutrition Support for Seniors in Need from \$10k to \$25k. Scott Triola seconded. Motion passed 2-0.
  - Recommendation to be presented to the Select Board at their August 9, 2022 meeting.
- Replacing Clark Room Floor and Stacking Chairs.
  - Director of COA reviewed request for ARPA funds to replace Clark Room Floor and stacking chairs. The Clark Room is the primary location for the COA to hold social, recreational, health, and wellness activities for seniors. These improvements will improve the usability and safety of the Clark Room for these activities. Current carpet and stacking chairs are at end of usable life.
  - ARPA Funding Request form can be [viewed here](#).
  - In reviewing the proposed chair options, the ARPA committee recommended increase the budget request from \$10k to \$12.5k to allow for the purchase of sturdier, higher quality chairs which are expected to have a longer useful lifespan.
  - *MOTION*: Kate Reid made the motion to recommend the Select Board approve \$12.5k in ARPA funds for replacing the Clark Room floor and stacking chairs. Scott Triola seconded. Motion passed 2-0.
  - Recommendation to be presented to the Select Board at their August 9, 2022 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15pm. Motion made by Kate Reid; seconded by Scott Triola.  
Motion passed 2-0.

(These minutes include all motions made and votes taken during this ARPA meeting.)  
Minutes taken and submitted by Scott Triola.

Minutes approved September 28, 2022 (3-0 Vote).

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