

**Senior Advisory Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 16, 2008
2:00 PM
Hopewell Valley Senior Center**

Attending: Lawrence Mansier, Bill Farmer, Jean Harrington, Bob Riley, Virginia Silliphant, Nils Stout, Anne Bolick
Excused: Severino DiCocco
Abigail Waugh- Senior Coordinator

The Meeting was brought to order at 2: 12 by Chairman Mansier. Notice was made of meeting the Open Public Meetings Act requirements.

The minutes of the December meeting were approved.

The “re-organization” portion of the meeting consisted primarily of electing officers for the coming year. Accordingly, the following SAB members were nominated, discussed and elected as officers of the SAB for 2008:

Chairman: Larry Mansier
Vice Chairman: Bill Farmer
Secretary: Bob Riley

Coordinator Report

Coordinator Waugh introduced her intern, Deron Williams, who will be spending several days a week (as described below).

She then presented her litany of activities and programs. New activities or others of note are as follows:

- A notable January program presented by Greater Trenton Behavioral Health Care was, “Enjoyment”, a senior well-being program with special guest, Vivian Greenberg, on January 11. Attendance was 19 people. Ms. Greenberg offered to return sometime in the future. Abby Katz, also associated with GTBHC and who has lectured at the Center in the past, is preparing a new series to be started in about six months.
- There have been 21 registrations for the AARP Driver Safety Classes.
- There will be four tax guide sessions during February thru April at the Senior Center.
- Swing Into Spring Prom will be held May 3.
- There will be a program with the 4-H on Sunday, June 8, at Howell Living History farm
- Coordinator Waugh reported that the HVAC problems plaguing the Senior Center have been solved. The heating system is operational and the A/C will be repaired shortly.

- 14 riders have registered with Hopewell Valley Rides. More are in process. The program seems to be well received.

□ Deron Williams described his activities: Registering people for the Special Needs Registry, coordinating with EMS personnel about such registry, assisting with new transportation outreach in addition to several other projects.

Chair Report

Chairman Mansier referred the Board to two pertinent newspaper articles that touched on our current efforts.

At our invitation, the Hopewell Valley Lions will hold their February Business Meeting at the Senior Center on February 7. It is hoped that they will supply future financial aid.

Committee Reports

The newly formed Hopewell Valley Senior Foundation is seeking to obtain an IRS # against which donors can enjoy tax relief. The Hopewell Valley Senior Foundation has been incorporated. Tax exempt status approval is still in process, but moving forward.

The next several months need not be devoted to plenary discussion of our proposed center, as Mansier and Farmer will be representing the Board in undertaking the long and arduous planning and coordinating of the proposed Campus with other potential participants.

The "Grants" Committee will meet in the near future. Members are Farmer, Silliphant, Lee and Riley.

New Business

Chair Mansier appointed an Outreach Committee to explore a possible survey of senior program preferences and also to promote program development in the near future. Members are Bolick, Silliphant, Waugh & Mansier. Meeting, January 25.

As part of our planning activity, Chair Mansier proposed the creation of a Strategic Plan. Copies had been distributed to members. Time did not allow for examination.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:
Bob Riley: Secretary

Next meeting scheduled for **Wednesday**, February 20, 2008, 2:00 at the HV Senior Center.