

Senior College at Belfast

Board of Trustees

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

9:00 am

AGENDA

Call to order

Guest speaker: Sarah McPartland- Good, University of Maine Foundation

Approval of minutes

Treasurer's report

Other reports

President

Curriculum Committee

Special Events Committee

Finance Committee

Community Service Committee – See below list of schools include in Reading Across America.

Archives Committee

Membership & Publicity Committee

Festival of Arts

Fundraising Committee

Registrar

Unfinished Business

Non-discrimination policy – see below

New Business

CSC request to include survey link in eNews – see below

Book ordering proposal

The mission of the Belfast Senior College is to provide intellectual stimulation, practical knowledge, social interaction and fun for persons 50 years of age or older.

Non-discrimination policy. The ad hoc committee of Cathy Bradbury and Karin Look recommend replacing our current non-discrimination policy with that used by AARP.

Current policy: "The Senior College admits members of any race, color, religion, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin to all the rights and privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to members. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship programs, and other college-administrated programs".

Proposed new policy: "Senior College prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, ethnicity, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, mental or physical disability, genetic information, or any other basis prohibited by applicable law."

CSC request to include a link to Aging Well in Waldo County Survey in the February eNews. CSC volunteers are assisting Waldo County seniors in several towns to take the Aging Well Survey by hand. It is hoped, however, that most involved in Senior College will want to complete the survey online.

SC Communications Policy allows the CSC to invite SC members to participate in events in which it is directly involved: *"To count as "direct involvement," the committee or group members themselves must have committed to participate in some specific event (for a non-profit organization or in a community event). Given they have done this, if they also wish to invite members of the SC community at large to participate in that specific event, then that is permissible."*

Does administering a survey count as a "specific event" for the purposes of our policy? Wendy notes that "This is highly relevant to SC members and will increase our respondents for the survey."

Reading Across America – participating schools: Smith, Drinkwater, E. Belfast, Capt. Albert Stevens, Nickerson, Morse, Weymouth, Lincolnville, Searsport Elem, Monroe Elem. About fifty Senior College members will participate as volunteer readers.