

## Minutes for Oct 12, 2011

CSEA 418/4Cs

10 – noon

907 Wethersfield Ave., Hartford

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1. Meeting called to order 10:09.
2. Present: David Bavelas, Karen Isaacs, Robert Isaacs, Bette Marafino, Bill Tyszka, Herb Gerjuoy, Debbie Allen, Raymond Mercik, Felipe Flores, Joan Leach and Marilyn Tyszka.
3. Our guests, Laura Morris and Vicki Veltri from the Office of the Healthcare Advocate provided a lively and interesting morning. They originally provided assistance with bills and service, then their assistance was expanded to help folks purchase insurance. They provide assistance with all types of insurance, denials—Medicare, Medicaid. They advocate at the Senate and Congress. Independent State Agency. Outreach—education—affordable care, complaints and appeals regarding insurance. One question that was raised was should retirees over 65 be paying a 10 dollar copay since Medicare is primary. All in the room were paying it. Speakers did not know. Maybe we need to bring Anthem in to speak and ask?
4. Minutes accepted.
5. Treasurer's report: \$241.25 in checking, \$28.45 in savings. Total \$269 70.
6. Reminder that our Chapter 418 meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month except in July and August from 10 – noon and the CSEA Delegate Assembly (Do not have to be a delegate to attend and the more the merrier.) meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (10 – noon) of each month except July and August.
7. Meeting adjourned about 12:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Bavelas  
Secretary