

NewCAL Dialogue with Director Comments

October 29, 2018

12:00PM

Newton Senior Center
345 Walnut Street
Newton Center

Highlights noted at this meeting:

- 1) Some seniors feel they should have their own Center (and are feeling misled).
- 2) Certain sections of the building may be for seniors & others multi-generational.
- 3) Seniors voiced a desire for some of their own reserved space.
- 4) Will a portion of the existing building be changed to exclude seniors?
- 5) Expressed fear of culture change.
- 6) Life safety improvements – entrances & exits.
- 7) Are we planning a new center without resolving our potential problems first?
- 8) What is a multi-generational center?
- 9) Who manages the building?
- 10) If we build just a Senior Center now, we may be in a situation that limits our ability to expand with the senior population in the future.
- 11) Cooperation and compromises are in the nature of the process.
- 12) Programming and scheduling help resolve prospective issues.