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Minutes of the Alamo Senior Advisory Committee Meeting Alamo Area Council of Governments

April 13, 2006 – 1:00 p.m.

AACOG Board Room
8700 Tesoro Dr., Ste 100, San Antonio, TX 78217
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Members

Karen Bailey, present	Irma Gonzalez, excused	Robert Lopez, absent
Linda Lee Davis, excused	Ysabela Pena, excused	Beverly Lutz, present
Ginny Funk, present	Lucille Rochs, excused	Carolyn Stauss, excused
Carolyn Goodall, absent	Yvonne Coronado, present	Laura Tuttle, present
John Halloran, excused	Darlene Evans, present	Denise Usener, excused
Cyndy Hahn, present	Bill MacAllister, present	Pamela Vann, present
Genevieve Manley, absent	Cheryl Bush, absent	Tina Woods, present
Judge Diana Bautista, excused	Linda Gonzales, absent	Glen Peterson, absent
Raymond White, absent	Charles Donellan, present	Barbara Effenberger, excused
Opal Word, present	Robert Weinberg, present	JoAnn McFarland, excused
Bonnie Flagg, present	Regina Applewhite, present	
Eleanor Preston, present	Becky Byerly, excused	

Guests/Visitors

None

Staff

Debbie Billa	Nanci Struble
Julie Sakelakos	Candy Walsh
Suzanne Ruff	Alvin Arada
Evangeline Avena	Henri Eaton

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Charles Donellan called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.

II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Charles Donellan welcomed members.

III. ROLL CALL

Secretary Bonnie Flagg took roll call. Sixteen (16) members were present.

IV. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

None

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Darlene Evans moved to approve the minutes of March 10, 2006 with the correction of Louie instead of Louis in Public Comments. Beverly Lutz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Debbie Billa handed out a policy statement from the National Association of Regional Councils about the reauthorization of the Older Americans Act, as it is a good explanation of the issues associated with reauthorization of the Older Americans Act.

Debbie also handed out a chart, by county, of the number of Medicare beneficiaries who have prescription drug coverage as of March 18, 2006. May 15, 2006, is the deadline for Medicare beneficiaries to enroll in Medicare prescription drug coverage. KLRN will host a program on April 20 where Tina Smith from Bexar Aging will discuss the Medicare Prescription Drug Card. Congressman Smith will be having a town hall meeting regarding Medicare RX enrollment at the Comal Sr. Citizens' Center on Friday, April 21.

A press release from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission was also distributed, which stated that HHSC has postponed the rollout for the Integrated Eligibility process for the Hill Country area by at least 30 days.

Don't forget the Texas Conference on Aging will be April 30 – May 3 in El Paso.

VII. REPORTS

A. RURAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION LIAISON

Beverly Lutz discussed several grants that ART is applying for, which include additions to equipment to help ART function more efficiently, and charter bus opportunities.

B. TEXAS SILVER-HAIRED LEGISLATORS (TSHL)

None.

C. ALAMO AREA AGENCY ON AGING PROGRAM REPORTS

Program reports were sent out in the packets. No questions were asked of staff.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Debbie Billa stated that she met with Lucille Rochs and Denise Usener on April 11, 2006, to discuss the bylaws. They will bring the proposed changes to the bylaws for ASAC to consider at the next meeting.

IX. NEW BUSINESS (ACTION ITEMS)

A. TRANSFER REQUEST FOR NUTRITION FUNDS FROM DIETERT SENIOR CENTER

A motion was made by Cyndy Hahn to approve the transfer request for Nutrition funds from Dietert Senior Center as was listed on the attachment. Robert Weinberg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. NEW VENDOR

A motion was made by Tina Woods to approve the new vendor, Catholic Charities, for their Caregiver Respite Program for Comal & Wilson counties. Beverly Lutz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. FY2006 BUDGET REVISION

Debbie Billa stated that the revision was for carryover funds received for FY05. A motion was made by Darlene Evans to approve the FY2006 budget revisions. Robert Weinberg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

D. FY06 PROVIDER TARGETS

Debbie stated that the targets were projected until this time for Congregate and Home Delivered Meals. We have now received the actual figures. A motion was made by Cyndy Hahn to approve the FY06 Provider Targets. Beverly Lutz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

E. OLDER AMERICANS MONTH AACOG BOARD RESOLUTION

A motion was made by Karen Bailey to approve the Older Americans Month AACOG Board Resolution. Bonnie Flagg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

F. NEW ALTERNATE MEMBER, JOANN TOBIAS MOLINA, ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

A motion was made by Robert Weinberg to approve the new alternate member, Joann Tobias Molina, Adult Protective Services for Karen Bailey. Opal Word seconded the motion. Motion carried

G. TRANSFER REQUEST FOR NUTRITION FUNDS – ATASCOSA COUNTY

Debbie Billa stated that the Pleasanton Senior Center has cancelled its contract with Alamo Aging as of March 17, 2006. Community Council of South Central Texas (CCSCT) was asked to continue the home delivered meals to those homebound clients previously served by Pleasanton Senior Center and they agreed. She asked to transfer funding from Pleasanton Senior Center to CCSCT to cover the cost of these meals. A motion was made by Darlene Evans to approve the transfer request for nutrition funds in Atascosa County. Beverly Lutz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS / INFORMATION ITEMS

Beverly Lutz stated that ART won 3rd place for their Trolley entry for the parade at Kerrville's 150th Anniversary.

Debbie Billa stated that there would be a forum of the White House Conference on Aging on Thursday, May 25, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. at Catholic Charities in San Antonio.

Ginny Funk stated that the symposiums in Kerrville and Seguin were both very successful. Also, that the Senior Olympics will be held in Kerrville on April 29, 2006.

Eleanor Preston announced that Canyon Lake Pickle Ball won 1st place in the Senior Olympics in San Antonio.

Bonnie Flagg stated that Medicare Matters will be at the Bulverde Senior Center on April 24, 2006. Also, their 7th Annual Run/Walk will be held on May 13, 2006.

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be Friday, May 12, 2006, at 1:00 p.m. in the AACOG Boardroom.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Robert Weinberg to adjourn the meeting. Beverly Lutz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Charles Donellan adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Charles Donellan, Chairperson

Date