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**Alamo Area Council of Governments**

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

**June 10, 2005 – 1:00 p.m.**

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

Linda Lee Davis, present  
Ginny Funk, excused  
Carolyn Goodall, present  
John Halloran, excused  
Genevieve Manley, absent  
Tim Wauson, absent  
Judge Diana Bautista, present  
Raymond White, present  
Marie Dawson, excused  
Bonnie Flagg, present  
Irma Gonzalez, present  
Ysabela Pena, present

Carol Smith, present  
Darlene Evans, present  
Kathryn Schmoekel, present  
Cheryl Bush, present  
Albert Tapia, absent  
Linda Gonzales-ALT, excused  
Charles Donellan, present  
Flora Gurt, absent  
Chris Mitchell, absent  
Regina Applewhite, excused  
Becky Byerly, present  
Sherilynn Vineyard, absent

Robert Lopez, present  
Joyce Cruz-ALT, excused  
Beverly Lutz, present  
Carolyn Stauss, present  
Denise Usener, excused  
Pamela Vann, excused  
Tina Woods, present  
Glen Peterson, absent  
Barbara Effenberger, excused  
JoAnn McFarland, present

**Guests/Visitors**

Laura Tuttle, Bandera  
Barbara Hanke-Connors

**Staff**

Mr. Al Notzon  
Gloria Arriaga  
Israel Zúñiga  
Maria Wilson

Suzanne Ruff  
Pete Cantu  
Evangeline Avena  
Candy Walsh

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chairperson, Carolyn Stauss, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

**II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Carolyn Stauss welcomed members and guests. It was announced that the following members have resigned: Walter Harris, Cindy Wilson – Fredericksburg, and Louis Vannatter - TSHL member who also resigned from the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature.

**III. ROLL CALL**

Bonnie Flagg took roll call. Nineteen (19) members were present.

**IV. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

None

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

JoAnn McFarland moved to approve the minutes of May 13, 2005 with the following corrections: The transportation specialist name was misspelled should-be Anthony Jugo. Carolyn Goodall seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Israel Zúñiga stated that the site monitoring has been rescheduled to June 28 and 30.

**VII. STATUS REPORT ON TEXAS WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON AGING SOLUTIONS FORUM.**

No report was given.

**VIII. REPORTS**

**A. BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT**

No report was given.

**B. RURAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION LIAISON**

Beverly Lutz stated that the Medicare contract has been extended from August through December of this year, and that in the months of September through December there will be a 12% increase, to help compensate for the rise in fuel prices.

Ms. Lutz will be joining many other AACOG staff in attending a workshop in Austin on June 14. House Bill 3588 will be a major topic under discussion. Also, ART is now putting ads on all the buses saying "Report Illegal Dumping."

**C. TEXAS SILVER-HAIRED LEGISLATORS (TSHL)**

No report was given.

**D. ALAMO AREA AGENCY ON AGING PROGRAM REPORTS  
CAREGIVER/CARE COORDINATION  
OMBUDSMAN  
MEDICARE/MEDICAID**

The written reports were sent in packets. No questions were asked of the staff.

**IX. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. APPROVE LAURA TUTTLE, DIRECTOR OF SILVER SAGE CORRAL SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER IN BANDERA, AS A MEMBER OF THE ALAMO SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE. LAURA TUTTLE REPLACES PAT GODKIN AS DIRECTOR.**

Tina Woods moved to approve Laura Tuttle, Director of Silver Sage Corral Senior Activity Center in Bandera, as a member of the Alamo Senior Advisory Committee. Irma Gonzales seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**B. APPROVAL OF NOT HOLDING ASAC MEETING IN JULY.**

Beverly Lutz moved to cancel the July ASAC meeting. JoAnn McFarland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**C. RELEASE OF FY06 REQUEST FOR VENDORS.**

Irma Gonzales moved to approve the release of FY06 request for vendors. Linda Lee Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**D. AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ALLOCATE REMAINING TDOA TRANSPORTATION FUNDS AMONG COUNTIES TO AVOID ANY LOSS OF FUNDING AT END OF FISCAL YEAR.**

Linda Lee Davis moved to authorize the Executive Director to allocate remaining TDOA Transportation funds among counties to avoid any loss of funding at end of Fiscal Year. Judge Diana Bautista seconded the motion. Carolyn Goodall and Beverly Lutz abstained. Motion carried.

**E. AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES (DADS) FOR THE CENTER FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES (CMS) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$47,091 FROM APRIL 1, 2005 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2006.**

Charles Donellan moved to authorize the submittal of an application to the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) for the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) in the amount of \$47,091 from April 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006. Darlene Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS / INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A. MEDICARE PART D SCHEDULE FOR ENROLLMENT – SUZANNE RUFF.**

Materials were handed out and staff member, Suzanne Ruff, made a presentation. Suzanne stated that the agency welcomes any individuals or groups who wish to volunteer their services to assist Medicare-eligible beneficiaries in enrolling in Medicare Part D.

**XII. NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting will be August 12, 2005 in the AACOG Boardroom.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Carolyn Stauss adjourned the meeting at 1:54 p.m.

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Carolyn Stauss, Chairperson

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Date