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

October 7, 2005 – 10:30 a.m.

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

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

Darlene Evans, absent
Cheryl Bush, present
Albert Tapia, absent
Linda Gonzales-ALT, present
Charles Donellan, present
Regina Applewhite, present
Becky Byerly, absent
Sherilynn Vineyard, present
Robert Lopez, present
Joyce Cruz-ALT, present
Laura Tuttle, absent

Beverly Lutz, present
Carolyn Stauss, present
Denise Usener, present
Pamela Vann, absent
Tina Woods, present
Glen Peterson, present
Barbara Effenberger, excused
JoAnn McFarland, excused

Guests/Visitors

Irene Mauldin, Golden Hub

Staff

Gloria Arriaga
Carol Zernial
Julie Sakelakos
Evangeline Avena

Suzanne Ruff
Nanci Struble
Candy Walsh
Maria Wilson

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Carolyn Stauss called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Carolyn Stauss welcomed members and guests. Carolyn introduced Carol Zernial as the new director for the Alamo Area Agency on Aging. Also, Irene Maulden was introduced as the new president of the board of Golden Hub Senior Center in Gillespie.

III. ROLL CALL

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

IV. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

None

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tina Woods moved to approve the minutes of September 9, 2005. John Holloran seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Carol Zernial discussed updates on the hurricane relief efforts. Hospitals and nursing homes are allowed to help people without documentation for Medicare/Medicaid. They are waiving the licensing requirements for health care professionals practicing in another state during disasters. HUD is allowed community to use their CDBG funds to help find housing. The Red Cross and FEMA do not help special needs individuals. Special needs individuals are those that need any kind of assistance. These individuals fall under the county then the state for assistance. If the Federal Government declares an area a disaster area ahead of time the county/state has 72 hours prior to the disaster to request aid from FEMA. If FEMA is called 72 hours prior there is 100% coverage and if called after there is 25% coverage. It is recommended that communities calculate the cost on the whole population rather than the actual number of persons anticipated needing assistance.

VII. REPORTS

A. RURAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION LIAISON

Beverly Lutz stated that they have renewed the contract with Rainbow in the effort to coordinate transportation and thanked Carolyn and her staff. She also thanked Maria Wilson for helping build a ramp for a transportation client.

B. TEXAS SILVER-HAIRED LEGISLATORS (TSHL)

Glen Peterson stated that the Silver-Haired Congress will meet the later part of February in Washington DC. He has been nominated to be the president to the National Senate on Aging.

C. 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.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. APPROVAL OF THE FY06 PROVISIONAL BUDGET

Linda Gonzales moved to approve the FY06 Provisional Budget. Glen Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. APPROVAL OF NEW VENDORS.

Robert Lopez moved to approve the new vendors. Linda Lee Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. RATIFY AUTHORIZATION FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO RELEASE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE FY06 NUTRITION PROGRAM.

Judge Diana Bautista moved to ratify authorization for Executive Director to release a request for proposal for the FY06 Nutrition Program. Carolyn Goodall seconded the motion. Motion carried.

D. REQUEST PERMISSION TO ISSUE AN RFP FOR \$25,000 ABC COALITION GRANT.

Tina Woods moved to grant permission to issue an RFP for a \$25,000 ABC Coalition Grant. Charles Donellan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

E. REQUEST VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON A NOMINATIONS AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE FOR SELECTION OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERS FOR FY06.

The volunteers are Linda Gonzales, Ginny Funk and John Halloran.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS / INFORMATION ITEMS

Ginny Funk of the Alzheimer's Association announced that there were some training sessions on Alzheimer's disease in Frio, Karnes, and Atascosa counties. Had the grand opening of the Dilley Resource Center in the library. There will be an all-day educational symposium in Boerne on October 19. The 5th Annual Memory Walk will be held on November 5 in Pleasanton.

Linda Lee Davis announced the 3rd Annual Heirloom Appraisal Day, a fundraiser for the San Antonio Lighthouse, on November 19.

Linda Gonzales stated that the Hill Country Day Care is now a non-profit organization and they can now apply for grants.

Beverly Lutz thanked Judge Diane Batista for supporting the transportation program in Atascosa County.

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 15, in the AACOG Boardroom.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Carolyn Stauss adjourned the meeting at 1:43 p.m.