

**Minutes**  
**Bexar Senior Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Friday, August 8, 2008 – 10:00 a.m.**  
**Al J. Notzon III Board Room**  
**8700 Tesoro Drive**  
**San Antonio, TX 78217-6228**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chris Alderete  
Jana Craig  
Alex Davila  
Elsa Davis  
Ed Dylla  
Victor Garcia  
Ruth N. Garcia  
Patti Gunter  
Milo Hoenscheid  
Tito Villalobos  
Donald B. Moye  
Dean M. Murphy  
Victoria Palm  
Steve Saldana  
Marolyn Stubblefield  
Dorothy Jo Weiss  
Mary Will  
Lucille Wohlfarth

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Sharon Baughman  
Laurin Lee Jimenez  
Hon. Ruth Jones-McClendon  
Marcia A. Katz  
Ida Kenny  
Ernie Lopez  
Barry Muth  
J. Elaine Talarski  
Jimmy Toubin  
George A. Walton

**ALTERNATES PRESENT:**

Julia Castellano-Hoyt  
Brenda Dever-Armstrong  
Yolanda Dickson  
Charlotte Hall (for George Walton)  
Alice Kennedy  
Carol Lozano (for Sharon Baughman)  
Sterling Neuman (for Jimmy Toubin)  
Marge Reyna (for Hon. Ruth Jones-McClendon)  
John Sampson (for Barry Muth)  
Valerie Taylor

1. Call to Order – Ms. Mary Will
2. Roll Call – Ms. Ruth Garcia
3. Consider and act upon approval of the minutes of June 13, 2008.
4. There were no citizens to be heard.
5. Chairperson's Report – Ms. Mary Will
  - Ms. Mary Will presented an award to Irma Anderson recognizing her 20 years of volunteer service as an ombudsman.

6. Director's Report – Ms. Carol Zernial, Bexar Area Agency on Aging Director
  - Carol Zernial recognized Nellie Garay for receiving the 2008 n4a Achievement Award for the Bexar AAA Grandparent/Kinship Caregiver Program.
  - Carol Zernial recognized the opening of the new regional office of the Social Security Administration on August 1<sup>st</sup>.

7. Subcommittee Status Reports

- A. Access and Assistance – Martha Ramirez reminded everyone that many people have not applied for the economic stimulus package and the deadline is October 15, 2008. She also discussed the digital television transition and the availability of coupons for converter boxes.
- B. Allocations and Monitoring – None
- C. Family Caregiver Support Program – Ruth Garcia recommended the approval of the FY09 vendors. It was motioned and seconded that the vendors be approved. Carol Lozano abstained. Nellie Garay is coordinating the Grand-families celebration to be held September 6, 2008 at the Neighborhood Place, 3014 Rivas.
- D. Nominations/Bylaws and Legislative – Julia Castellano-Hoyt recommended the approval of BSAC members Estella Tyson and Sue Bell pending their acceptance. Neither was present at the meeting.
- E. Long Term Care – Vickie Palm discussed the progress of their efforts to create a Direct Care Worker Consortium.
- F. Alamo Service Connection – Sterling Neuman talked about the marketing efforts for seniors seeking services through the ASC.

8. Informational Items

- Dean Murphy reminded us that Project Cool is still in effect for those needing fans. Dean Murphy from the City of San Antonio and Steve Saldana from Catholic Charities both agreed their staff were available to assist anyone who was having difficulty getting the fans.
- It was suggested that we invite Vincent Davis, Express News Senior Beat reporter, to speak to the committee.

- It was agreed that a letter be sent from Mary Will to Marcy Meffert wishing her a speedy recovery and congratulating her on her new position as editor for Elder Express. We would like for her to speak to us and possibly become a member of the BSAC.

9. Adjournment

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