

Minutes
Bexar Senior Advisory Committee
Friday, January 12, 2007 – 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sharon Baughman
Julia Castellano-Hoyt
Alex Davila
Dean Murphy
Ed Dylla
Victor Garcia
Ruth Garcia
Milo Hoenscheid
Hon. Ruth Jones McClendon rep by Sandra Sapenter
Ida Kenny
Tito Villalobos Moreno
Dean Murphy
Nancy Rheams
Alicia Rodriguez
Steve Saldana
Rev. Gene Sheppard
Marolyn Stubblefield
J. Elaine Talarski
George A. Walton, Jr
Dorothy Jo Weiss rep by Michele Leverant
Mary Will
Lucille Wohlfarth

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Marcia Katz
Ernie Lopez
Donald Moye
Winn Murnin
Barry Muth
Sterling Neuman
Victoria Palm
Jimmy Toubin

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

None

1. Call to Order – Ms. Mary Will called the meeting to order.
2. Roll Call – Mr. George Walton called the roll as reflected.
3. Consider and act upon approval of the Minutes of January 2007 – Upon consideration, motion was made to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.
4. Citizens to be Heard (Limit to Three Minutes) - None
5. Director's Report – Carol Zernial, Bexar Area Agency on Aging Director – Ms. Zernial presented her Director's report, providing information on the Star Plus Program Expansion Program set for February 1st and the No Medicare Part D Late Fee for Low-Income Enrollees. She further briefed on the Medicare Reform. Handouts regarding the noted information were distributed to BSAC members.
6. Chairperson's Report – The Chair introduced Mr. Ed Bosson Public Utility Commission, Relay Texas. Mr. Bosson provided information regarding access to the telephone network by Texans who are deaf, deaf blind, hard-of-hearing or speech-disabled.
7. Subcommittee Status Reports
 - A. Access & Assistance
 1. Request permission to apply for \$100,000 My Medicare Matters Grant for outreach on the Medicare Low-Income Subsidy. – Upon consideration, motion was made by Ms. Stubblefield and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez. Motion carried.
 2. Request permission to submit a \$30,000 marketing Request for Proposal for the Aging and Disability Resource Center - Upon consideration, motion was made by Ms. Stubblefield and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez. Motion carried.

B. Allocations and Monitoring

1. Request permission to amend our contract with the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services to provide Consumer Directed Support Consultation Services for the Consumer Directed Services (CDS).
– Upon consideration, motion was made by Mr. Davila and seconded by Ms. Wohlfarth. Motion carried.

C. Family Caregiver Support Program

1. Approval of FY07 Vendors for the Access and Assistance Family Caregiver Support Program – Upon consideration, motion was made by Mr. Murphy to approve the FY07 vendors as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. Saldana and passed.

D. Information and Special Events – An updates were presented on the upcoming Senior Day at the Capitol that will be held on February 13, 2007 @ 10:30 am in Austin, Texas. It was further reported that room is available in the event someone wishes to attend the event. If interested, please call the AACOG office to register.

It was further reported that the subcommittee is working on several events that will take place during the Month of May, one of which is the “Ice Cream Social”, and as more information is developed, it will be presented to BSAC members.

E. Nominations, Bylaws and Legislative Subcommittee – Upon consideration, Mr. Saldana moved for approval on the Bexar County Priorities for the 80th Legislature. Motion was seconded by Mr. Davila and passed.

F. Long Term Care – An update was presented on Stateholder’s Meeting that is scheduled for March 28, 2007 from 9 am to 11:00 am in the AACOG AI Notzon Board Room. The goal of the meeting will be to move forward in developing, approximately a 15-member steering committee that will proceed with the Education, Social Supports and Employment components of the Model Bexar Direct Caregiver Collaborative Initiative.

9. Informational Items: Subcommittees will meet in February 2007 and the next Bexar Senior Advisory Committee will meet on March 9, 2007 @ 10:00 am.
10. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.