

Minutes
Bexar Senior Advisory Committee Meeting
Friday, June 12, 2009 – 10:00 a.m.
Al J. Notzon III Board Room
8700 Tesoro Drive
San Antonio, TX 78217-6228

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chris Alderete
Brenda Dever-Armstrong rep by Wendy Houston
Sharon Baughman
Barb Dampman rep by Steve Saldana
Elsa Davis rep by Alice Rose Kennedy
Yolanda Dickson
Ed Dylla
Ruth Garcia
Pattie Gunter
Milo Hoenscheid
Ruth Lofgren
Dean Murphy
Sterling Neuman
Nancy Rheams
Marolyn Stubblefield
J. Elaine Talarski rep by Sue Bell
George A. Walton
Dorothy Jo Weiss

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Julia Castellano Hoyt
Victor Garcia
Laurin Lee Jimenez
Hon. Ruth Jones-McClendon
Ernie Lopez
Don Moye
Barry Muth
Victoria Palm

Valerie Taylor
Lucille Wohlfarth

Ida Kenny, Emeritus

1. Call to Order – George Walton called the meeting to order.
2. Roll Call – Roll call was taken as reflected above.
3. Citizens to be Heard - Ms. Dwana Dominick addressed the committee and provided an overview of their cafe, Big Easy Café, located at 5170 Randolph Blvd.
4. Consider and act upon approval of the Minutes of May 8, 2009.
Upon review and consideration, a motion was made by Mr. Neuman and seconded by Mr. Saldana to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.
5. Introduction of New Bexar Area Agency on Aging Director - Ms. Gloria C. Arriaga, Executive Director of the Alamo Area Council of Governments introduced Martha Spinks, Ph.D. Dr. Spinks holds an M.A. in Psychology from the University of Northern Colorado, an MSW from Our Lady of the Lake University, and a Ph.D. in Social Welfare Policy from the University of Pennsylvania. For the past nine years, she has served as Executive Director of Saint Barnabas Senior Services, a large social service agency serving low-income seniors residing in the most ethnically diverse and densely populated neighborhood in downtown Los Angeles. In 2000, she retired as a Lieutenant Colonel from the Army after 24 years of service

directing soldier and family support programs and being involved in health care research.

6. Director's Report – Dr. Spinks, Bexar Area Agency on Aging reported on the following:
 - Weinberg Foundation Grant
 - Congregate Meal Rate Setting
 - 2009 Aging in Place Workshop in Redesigning Communities for Aging in Place: Developing a livable San Antonio Metro Region for all ages Meeting
7. Subcommittee Status Reports
 - A. Access and Assistance Subcommittee - Ms. Dorothy Weiss presented the following: 1. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to submit a grant application to the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services for the AAA Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) in the amount of \$205,842. Upon consideration, motion was seconded by Ms. Stubblefield and passed. There were no abstentions noted. 2. Ms. Weiss informed BSAC members on the Digital TV; Medicare Open Enrollment and also on the 1st Annual Alamo Service Connection Spring Event held on May 18, 2009.
 - B. Long Term Care - In the absence of the committee chair, Mr. Nick Monreal, AAA Staff presented the Long Term Care Services Committee / Health Care Consortium report as summarized on Item 8B attached to the BSAC agenda for June 12, 2009. No action required at this time.
 - C. Special Events Committee - Ms. Chris Alderete presented Item 8C attached to the BSAC agenda for June 12, 2009. No action required at this time.
 - D. Caregiver Coalition Committee - Ms. Nancy Rheams presented Item 8E attached to the BSAC Agenda for June 12, 2009. No action required at this time.
 - E. Allocations Committee - Mr. Ed Dylla presented Item 8F attached to the BSAC Agenda for June 12, 2009. Upon consideration, Mr. Dylla moved for approval. Motion was seconded by Ms. Chris Alderete and passed. The following abstentions were noted: Mr. Saldana - Catholic Charities, Inc; Ms. Baughman - Christian Senior Services; and Mr. Murphy - City of San Antonio.
8. Next meeting date - August 14, 2009
9. Adjournment - There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.