

Minutes
Bexar Senior Advisory Committee
Friday, October 14, 2005 – 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sharon Baughman rep by Carol Lozano
Julia Castellano Hoyt
Laura Cisneros
Alex Davila
Elsa Davis
Ed Dylla
Victor Garcia rep by Johnnie Davis
Suzanne Huber
Jan Jarosek
Marcia Katz
Ida Kenny
Ernie Lopez
Yvonne Lozano rep by Laurin Jimenez
Tito Villalobos Moreno
Hon. Ruth Jones-McClendon rep by Margie Reyna
Jimmy Toubin
Sterling Neuman
Nancy Rheams
Alicia Rodriguez
John Sampson
Rev. Gene Sheppard
Mary Will

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Chris Alderete
Winn Murnin
Steve Saldana
Lucille Wohlfarth
Irene Rodriguez

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

None

1. Call to Order – Mr. Sterling Neuman, Chairman called the meeting to order.
2. Roll Call – Roll call was taken as reflected above.
3. Consider and act upon approval of the Minutes of September 9, 2005 – Upon correction to the minutes, motion was made to accept them as presented. Motion passed.
4. Citizens to be Heard (Limit to Three Minutes)
5. Director's Report – Ms. Debbie Billa, Bexar Area Agency on Aging Director
6. Chairperson's Report – Mr. Sterling Neuman
7. **Presentation:** Ms. Karen Bailey, Resource & External Relations Specialist – Region 8
Department of Family and Protective Services, Adult Protective Services introduced members of her team who provided information regarding the Elder Fraud Task Force whose representation consists of the Adult Protective Services; Probate Court Investigators; Frost Bank Fraud Management; Bexar County District Attorney's Office and the San Antonio Police Department. Their mission is to promote awareness, improve investigation, and facilitate prosecution of financial exploitation and fraud crimes against the elderly through professional collaboration.
8. Subcommittee Status Reports
 - A. Access & Assistance – Mr. Tito Villalobos Moreno presented the following:
 1. Access to Benefits Coalition Request for Proposal in the amount of \$25,000 to be distributed in the amount of five mini-grants of \$5000 each to agencies who are members of the Access to Benefits Coalition, or who wish to become members of the Access to Benefits Coalition, to do outreach and assistance in enrolling in the Low Income Subsidy applications for the Medicare Prescription Benefit. Upon consideration, motion was seconded by Jimmy Toubin and passed.

- B. Allocations and Monitoring – Mr. Ernie Lopez presented the following:
1. Distribution of Carry-over NSIP Funds – Upon consideration, a motion was seconded to accept the Bexar Area Agency on Aging Allocation of FY05 Carry-Over in the amount of \$196,719.00 as presented. Motion passed. The following abstained: Ms. Laura Cisneros, City of San Antonio and Ms. Carol Lozano, Christian Senior Services.
 2. FY2006 Provisional Budget – Upon consideration, motion was seconded by Ms. Julia Castellano-Hoyt to accept the Bexar Area Agency on Aging Proposed Budget for FY2006 in the amount of \$5,186,206 as presented. Motion passed. The following abstentions were noted: Ms. Laura Cisneros, City of San Antonio; Ms. Carol Lozano, Christian Senior Services.
- D. Family Caregiver Support Program – Ms. Nancy Rheams presented the following:
1. FY2006 Provisional Budget – Upon consideration, motion was seconded by Ms. Julia Castellano-Hoyt to accept the Bexar Area Agency on Aging Caregiver Program Proposed Allocations for FY2006 in the amount of \$662,302. Motion passed.
 2. Vendors for the Access and Assistance and Family Caregiver Support Programs – Upon consideration, motion was seconded by Mr. John Sampson to accept the Proposed Vendors, (list attached to official minutes). Motion passed.
- E. Information and Special Events – It was reported the due to weather conditions, there were not as many attendees at the recent Texercise event.
- F. Long Term Care Subcommittee – Ms. Victoria Palm provided information regarding the collaboration with the Social Security Administration, and the Bexar Area Agency on Aging, which will host a specialized “LTC Facility Staff Medicare Part D. “Navigators” Workshop and Roundtable, starting at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, December 5, 2005. Topics covered were: Basics of the Medicare Prescription Benefit; How the Benefit Works for residents of Long Term Care facilities (Nursing Homes, ICF-MR's, State Homes), especially if they are on Medicaid; LTC Pharmacy Networks.; How to search for the best plan. Anyone wishing to assist residents in enrolling in a plan should attend.
- G. Nominations/Bylaws and Legislative – Ms. Julia Castellano-Hoyt presented the FY06 Slate of Officers to be voted on at the November BSAC Meeting, and they are: Chairman: Mr. Sterling Neuman; Vice Chairman: Ms. Mary Will; and Secretary: Elsa Davis.

Next Ms. Castellano-Hoyt presented the following to be nominated for a second term: Alex Davila, Marcia Katz, Yvonne Lozano, Tito Villalobos Moreno, and Steve Saldana. Ms. Castellano-Hoyt further recommended that George A. Walton, Jr. be nominated for a first term. Upon consideration, motion was seconded to approve the recommendation as presented.

Ms. Castellano-Hoyt reminded BSAC members that there were three new members presented at the September BSAC meeting, and they are: Dorothy Jo Weiss, Ms. Elaine Talarski, and Rev. Paul Roberts. Full Membership recommendations will be presented to the AACOG Board of Directors for their consideration and approval.

10. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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