

Senior Services & Transit Advisory Board Minutes
Thursday April 9, 2015 Limon, Colorado

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Dave Crismon at 12:57 p.m. In addition to Dave Crismon, board members present were Henrietta Owen, Dick Wehrman, Mary Curtiss, Beverly Newbanks, David Crismon, and Nancyann Davidson. Staff member present was Terry Baylie, Senior & Transit Services Director. Also present was Lenora Winslow with Eastern Colorado Home Care. Those present introduced themselves and the county they represent. Dave led the group in the pledge of allegiance. Board Members absent were Tara Gaynor, Marcia Eder, Debbie Lamm, Kelly Johnson, Edna Fross, Loren Lambert and Pat Ward. Since there was no quorum present, any voting action will require approval by one more Board Member. *Note: After discussing all items on the agenda with Board member Marcia Eder, Marcia voted to approve all actions taken by the Board on April 9, 2015, which included approval of the February 12, 2015 Minutes; approval of the April 9, 2015 agenda; and approval of the 4-Year aging services plan.*

Approval of the February 12, 2015 Minutes

Beverly Newbanks moved to approve the February 12, 2015 Minutes; motion was seconded by Dick Wehrman and carried unanimously. *(Quorum approval provided by Marcia Eder.)*

Add agenda items/Approve Agenda

Dave asked for added agenda items. Hearing no additional agenda items, Dick Wehrman moved to approve the agenda; motion was seconded by Mary Curtiss and carried unanimously. *(Quorum approval provided by Marcia Eder.)*

Update on Vehicle Purchases

Terry advised that the contracts for the Cheyenne County Van and the Kit Carson County Burlington vehicle have been received. The invitation to bid for the Cheyenne County Van has been sent to local dealers. Terry, Debby and Annette are on the April 16th Cheyenne County Commissioners' agenda to review the bids and select a winner. Staff is currently in the process of getting the bid/pricing information on the KCC Burlington vehicle. The Federal funding portion of the KCC Stratton vehicle contract was received, however the State FASTER contract has not been received and both need to be submitted at the same time. Due to possible conflicts in the timeframe and meeting dates, Terry said the COG Board to approve the Federal contract and authorized Nancy to sign the state FASTER contract when it is received.

Speak-Out 39 (2015)

The tentative agenda and registration form were included in Board packets. The conference will be held at the Rodeway Inn/Cow Palace in Lamar. Terry reviewed the tentative costs, and indicated that the cost will probably not change. The tentative agenda was also reviewed. The Eastern Plains Legislative Task Force will offer scholarships again this year and this region will receive \$400. Terry then asked to Board to consider offering "Donation Coupons" to be used for a Project SMILE meal. These coupons will be given to those people who refer a new person and promote awareness about the Speak-Out. The idea

was agreed to by the Board. Terry will get posters/notices out sometime in June. Terry also asked the Board about planning for the 2016 Speak-Out, which will be in this region. Discussion on location was held and Terry asked the Board to consider workshop ideas.

Dave Crismon officially opened the Public Hearing at 1:25 pm.

2016-2019 Aging Services Four-Year Plan (July 1, 2015-June 30, 2019)

Terry said that every 4 years the AAA is required to develop an area plan that focuses on the activities, services and programs for residents of the 4-county region. This plan was included in Board packets and is due to the state office on May 8, 2015. Terry explained that the first page is the statutory basis for the plan and included the State Unit on Aging's policy directive. Page 4 includes some Older Americans Act and State funding background information. The actual plan for this region begins on page 5 with the Executive summary. Terry said that a public input meeting was held on March 3rd in Limon and that a public hearing was held on April 9th in conjunction with the regional advisory board meeting (also in Limon). Any comments from the governing board from the April 1st meeting were included in the plan. The priorities for the next 4 years are listed on page 8, and were based on input received from the advisory board, staff members and the March 3rd public input meeting. It was interesting to see that 4 years ago transportation ranked 3rd on the list and has slipped to a 7th place rank in the current plan. The need for ombudsman services was ranked 4th four years ago and has moved up to 2nd most important in the current plan. As always, legal service is not a high priority for this region. We have spent more money advertising this service and it is still under-utilized. All of the services listed are mandatory (required to provide) services except the Material Aid service, which is Project Help MATE, however, this service ranks high on the list. Terry said that 29 survey responses were received. The plan discusses the need for volunteers, addresses the unserved or underserved populations, legal services, ombudsman services and regional demographics. Terry noted that question 4 on page 11 asks for information on the Part D health promotion service. In the past, these funds (around \$3000) were used in conjunction with the Help MATE program to provide preventative dental care/maintenance. Effective October, 2016 these funds can no longer be used for that service and must be used to provide an evidence-based service that meets the highest level criteria required by the Administration on Aging. Terry said the AAA will be partnering with Lincoln Community Hospital to provide an exercise program called "Stepping On". The funds will be used to assist with weekly classes and supplies; and does meet all the required criteria. Section VII will be used by the State during on-site evaluations to monitor regional use of the plan, as will Section IX. The forms mentioned in Section VIII (page 20) are attached to the end of the plan beginning on page 27.

Dave Crismon officially closed the Public Hearing at 2:20 pm.

2016-2019 Aging Services Four-Year Plan (July 1, 2015-June 30, 2019)

Dave called for additional discussion/clarification on the Plan. Hearing none, Dick Wehrman moved to approve the 2016-2019 plan. Beverly Newbanks seconded the motion which carried unanimously. (*Quorum approval provided by Marcia Eder.*)

FTA Grant Application and T-3 Funding Request

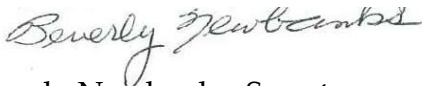
Terry said that the CDOT 2016-2017 two-year FTA grant application will be due June 5th and the T-III funding request will be due “early in May”. Terry hopes to have both funding requests available by the May 6 ECCOG Board meeting to review and approve, pending approval by the advisory board, who will not meet until May 14th. If the funding request for T-3 is due before May 14th, Terry will request a waiver to delay submission until after the May 14 2015.

Board Member Concerns/Comments – None noted

Next Meeting Date – Next Meeting will be May 14th at the Limon Community Building. Lunch will be at IHOP in Limon.

Dave declared the meeting adjourned at 2:34 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Beverly Newbanks".

Beverly Newbanks, Secretary
Senior Services & Transit Advisory Board