Senior Services & Transit Advisory Board Minutes Thursday May 10, 2012 Limon, Colorado

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dick Wehrman at 12:35 p.m. In addition to Dick, board members present were Darrel Schallenberger, David Crismon, Vicky Miller, Debbie Lamm, Bob Paintin, and Shelley Hornung. Board members absent were Mary Curtiss, Beverly Newbanks, Edna Fross, Loren Lambert and Nancyann Davidson. Guest was Lenora Winslow of Eastern Colorado Home Care. Staff members present included Ron Walters of Kit Carson and Terry Baylie, ECCOG Office. Dick led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

# April 12, 2012 Minutes

Dave Crismon moved to approve the Minutes of April 12, 2012. Motion was seconded by Bob Paintin and carried unanimously.

### Add Agenda Item

Dick asked for additional agenda items. Dick added discussion on eligibility for the nutrition program. Bob Paintin moved to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Shelley Hornung and carried unanimously.

### Miscellaneous Nutrition and Transit Program News

Terry Baylie reported that the Genoa Senior Center/Meal Site will probably be closing due to a dwindling number of participants. Official confirmation is still pending from the Town of Genoa. The Hugo Central Kitchen cooks (2) have been hired, and are today receiving training with Debby for today's meal. ECCOG's registered dietitian, Jan Kochis, has received security clearance to work on-line with the state dietitian on the regional menus. After several training sessions, the decision was made between the state and local dietitians that this region's menus were so close to being in compliance that rather than work up new menus, current menus would be re-worked to bring them into compliance. There has been no word on a possible completion date. The meal site assistant/relief driver for Cheyenne County has resigned effective April 30th and will be moving to Kansas. An ad has been placed in *The Range Ledger* and volunteers are in place to assist with home-delivered meals until a replacement is hired. Terry reviewed information regarding a potential drug & alcohol supervisor awareness/reasonable suspicion refresher training. DDI, the Town of Limon and City of Burlington, as well as ECCOG supervisors are willing to participate if scheduled. The counties have declined participation. A notice was received and sent SSTB members who have an email address that even though Senator Boyd decided not to introduce her bill on the potential move of the AAA from CDHS to HCPF, there will still be a stakeholders group to work on the planning to have recommendations in place before the bill is introduced during the 2013 legislative session. Senator Boyd plans to make a statement either today or next week before the end of session. Debbie said she has been attending meetings regarding this move and provided an update on from the viewpoint of the DD community.

# 2013 Senior Services Funding Request to State of Colorado

Copies of the 2013 Senior Services Funding Request from ECCOG to the State were distributed. This 2013 request reflects funding decreases in most program areas. The federal funds to the state showed a slight increase, so the reduction in OAA funds was due to the fact that although this region had a slight increase

in individuals over 60, the increase was smaller in proportion to other AAAs, resulting in a reduction in the allocation. Terry reviewed the summary pages from the draft 2013 budget. Baylie then reviewed the dollar amounts and services on the actual funding request and answered questions answered. She said that since the request is due to the state on May 25th, at its May 2nd meeting, the ECCOG Board was asked to consider either granting preliminary approval or authorizing an email vote on this request after the SSTB had an opportunity to review the proposal and made a recommendation at this meeting. The ECCOG board chose to approve and submit the request provided there was a favorable recommendation by the advisory board.

#### **Board Member Concerns/Comments**

Terry reviewed information in a recent press release sent to all area newspapers and emailed to both the COG Board and the SSTB Board regarding eligibility for the nutrition program. Questions were answered and Baylie promised to get back to members who had questions that could not readily be answered.

#### Other

Baylie distributed and reviewed 2011 year-end information regarding costs for the meals, including raw food, disposable, cook and other operating costs.

Next Meeting Date – July 12, 2012, Limon Community Building – Lunch will be at Jenny's Mexican Café in Limon. The Café is located in the same building as Oscar's Bar and Grill, connected on the east side, with a north facing entrance.

Dick declared the meeting adjourned at 1:54 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

for Nancy Ann Davidson, Secretary

Yerry Baylin

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