

Senior Services & Transit Advisory Board Minutes
Thursday July 10, 2014 Limon, Colorado

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Loren Lambert at 1:00 p.m. In addition to Loren Lambert, board members present were David Crismon, Henrietta Owen, Mary Curtiss, Tara Gaynor, Marcia Eder, Beverly Newbanks, Dick Wehrman, Edna Fross and Nancyann Davidson. Board members absent were Kelly Johnson, Patrick Ward, and Debbie Lamm. Staff member Terry Baylie, Senior & Transit Services Director. Also present were Lenora Winslow with Eastern Colorado Home Care and Karen Wehrman of Elbert. Those present introduced themselves and the county they represent.

Dave led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of the May 8, 2014 Minutes

Dick Wehrman moved to approve the May 8, 2014 Minutes; motion was seconded by Dave Crismon and carried unanimously.

Add agenda items/Approve Agenda

Loren added two agenda items, the Ombudsman Report and discussion on the Visually Impaired program and also asked for any additional agenda items, hearing none, the agenda was approved,

Ombudsman Report

Terry distributed and reviewed the Ombudsman report prepared by Lead Ombudsman, Debby Conrads.

HelpMATE project

Terry reviewed the spreadsheet showing the project stats for the 2013 material aid program and the current program stats. To date there are 31 requests for assistance, 23 of which have completed all paperwork and will be billed shortly. Terry answered Board questions.

Speak-Out 38 (2014)

Enclosed in Board packets is the registration form and tentative agenda for the 2014 conference to be held in Sterling on October 2 & 3. Board members interested in attending should complete the registration form and return it to Terry before the deadline of September 1, 2014. Angie will be sending a supply of registration forms out to senior centers/meal sites shortly.

Legal Service Desk Evaluation

Copies of the summary were distributed and reviewed. Region V was found to be in compliance with all requirements.

SFSS Visually Impaired Program

A list of allowable services that can be provided under the new visually impaired program was distributed. After discussion, Beverly moved to put half of the funding in the material aid (HelpMATE) program (to include eyeglasses or adaptive equipment), and half of the funding in SGFCG transportation

(to provide transportation money to caregivers of persons over the age of 60 for travel to metro areas to receive eye surgery or post-operative follow up). The motion was seconded by Nancyann and carried unanimously.

Board Member/Staff Concerns/Comments

Loren asked about the status of the regional freezer...Jim's Refrigeration still plans to install it the week of July 21st. Loren said that the McArthur senior center Friday meals food has been removed. Debby and Terry will be removing the Project SMILE food the week of July 14th...the Stratton elementary school has agreed to store it in their food temporarily. Terry also said that the program has a commercial dishwasher available that could maybe be placed in either the Hugo or Cheyenne Wells kitchens. Terry will be checking with Hugo first (Dave also agreed to check it out). Henrietta will also check to see if Cheyenne Wells would be interested, but Terry was concerned that the current configuration of the kitchen may not allow it. If it cannot be used in any program kitchen, it will be sold and the proceeds put back into the program.

Nancyann asked about the transit policy on driver/passenger safety. Terry said that she did write a policy, but forgot to include it on the agenda. She promised to email/regular mail it to all board members, asking for approval. ***Note...This was sent out July 12th, 9 yes votes were received and the policy approved.**

Next Meeting Date – The September meeting will be cancelled because Terry will be in Crested Butte at the required CDOT grantee meeting. The next meeting will be October 9, 2014 – Lunch – Southside Restaurant, Limon

Loren declared the meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Beverly Newbanks, Secretary
Senior Services & Transit Advisory Board