

Minutes
Bexar Senior Advisory Committee
Friday, October 8, 2004 – 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Julia Castellano-Hoyt
Laura Cisneros
Barb Dampman
Elsa Davis
Victor Garcia
Ruth Gomez
Jan Jarosek
Ida Kenny
Lewis Marshall
Tito Moreno
Winn Murnin
Sterling Neuman
Alicia Rodriguez
Steve Saldana
John Sampson
Rev. Gene Sheppard
Jimmy Toubin
Mary Will
Lucille Wohlfarth

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Alex Davila
Marcia Katz
Yvonne Lozano
Nancy Rheams
Lily Porter-Tarrillion
Everett Turner

ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Sharon Baughman
Emma Bedoy
Ernie Lopez
Alissa Butler
Bill Heinemann

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:

None

1. Call to Order – Mr. Jimmy Toubin, Chairperson called the meeting to order.
2. Roll Call – Ms. Alicia Rodriguez, Secretary called the roll.
3. Consider and act upon approval of the Minutes of September 10, 2004 – Upon consideration, motion was made to approve the Minutes as presented; motion was seconded and passed.
4. Citizens to be Heard (Limit to Three Minutes) - None
5. Director's Report – Ms. Debbie Billa reported on the following:
 - Upcoming Caregiver activities planned during the month of November
 - San Antonio Aging Well – in partnership with KVDA 60 Senior Resource Fair taking place on 10/14/2004
 - Bexar County Elections Department Voting information
 - Medicare-Approved Drug Discount Cared and Transitional Assistance Enrollment Program
6. Chairperson's Report – Mr. Jimmy Toubin informed BSAC members that Mr. Nick Monreal, Managing Local Ombudsman was recently on the news regarding an assisted living closure. He also thanked Ms. Barb Dampman and Mr. Steve Saldana for assisting seniors in locating jobs.

7. Subcommittee Status Reports

A. Access & Assistance – In the absence of Ms. Yvonne Lozano, Ms. Richards provided an update on the Southwest Home for the Holidays event and asked for volunteers to assist her with the review of those applications received. No action required at this time.

B. Ad-Hoc Committee Report – Long Term Care – Mr. Steve Saldana provided an update on the planning process for the Long Term Care Symposium currently being planned for the last week in January at the St. Paul's Community Center. No action required at this time.

C. Allocations and Monitoring – Mr. Sterling Neuman moved for consideration on the following and that they be submitted to the ACOG Board of Directors for final approval.

1. Distribution of NSIP Allocations in the amount of \$252,826 - After consideration, motion was seconded by Ms. Dampman and passed. The following abstained: Ms. Cisneros, City of San Antonio; and Ms. Baughman, Christian Senior Services.
2. Carry-over funds in the amount of \$ 42,321 – After consideration, motion was seconded by Mr. Sampson and passed. The following abstained: Ms. Cisneros, City of San Antonio; and Ms. Baughman, Christian Senior Services.
3. Ratify action to transfer up to \$25,000 from FY04 Title IIIB Supportive Services to Title IIIC Nutrition Services – Recommendation: Favorable Review
4. Ratify action to transfer up to \$50,000 from FY04 Administrative funds to Title IIIC Nutrition Services – Recommendation: Favorable Review

D. Family Caregiver Support Program – No Report

E. Information and Special Events – Ms. Sharon Baughman provided an update on: Senior Day 2005 at the Capitol and informed that the committee will need to look at other alternatives as concerns the cost of chartering the busses.

F. Nominations/Bylaws and Legislative – Ms. Julia Castellano-Hoyt informed that the subcommittee met to discuss Membership to include the FY2005 Slate of Officers and to review the Bexar Senior Advisory Committee Bylaws.

Ms. Castellano-Hoyt read the names of those members whose terms were to expire on December 2004 and reminded BSAC members of the Bylaw change made last year to allow BSAC members to serve two additional terms for a total of six years and should they wish to continue after that, they must sit out for a year before consideration to serve.

Committee will look at those recommendations and bring to the BSAC for consideration.

The Slate of Officers will also be presented at our next meeting.

8. Informational Items – Mr. Sampson informed that the social services have been asked to cut their budgets by 5% by the next biennium.

Mr. Marshall reported on the 10th Legislature Direct Resolutions recently passed. There were 26 support resolutions also passed.

Ms. Kenny reported that the Bexar County Senior Citizens Council is celebrating their 30th anniversary this year and as a result, they will be offering free membership to the Texas Advocacy Coalition.

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