

Minutes
Alamo Area Council of Governments
Alamo Senior Advisory Committee Meeting
July 9, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Lopez, Chairperson
Patrice Doerries, Vice Chairperson
Denise Usener, Secretary
Regina Applewhite
Veronica Arriaga
Judge Diana Bautista
Brenda Engelmann
Darlene Evans
Kelley Gallant
Carolyn Goodall
John Green
Doris Haecker
Ben Herr
Genevieve Manley
JoAnn McFarland
Richard Muzquiz
Lucille Rochs
Opal Word
Darin Zumwalt

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Sara Pichardo

GUESTS

None

MEMBERS ABSENT

Coral Adema
Billie Bell
Christine Cervera
Angela Fiedler
Dr. Robert Fitzgerald
Judge Carlos Garcia
Lisa Loya
Marlene Richter
Raymond "Ram" Ramirez
Tiffany Rives
Pam Thatcher
Raymond White
Tina Woods

STAFF PRESENT

Susan Lodge
Gloria Vasquez
Julie Sakelakos
Alvin Arada
Annabelle Vazquez
Dan Goetz
Nelda Rodriquez
Jim Rowland
Susanne Ruff
Trish Slaton
Candy Walsh
Maria Wilson

1. Robert Lopez, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.
2. Roll call was taken by Denise Usener, Secretary, and a quorum was established.
3. There were no citizens to be heard.
4. JoAnn McFarland moved to approve the minutes of May 14, 2010. The Honorable Judge Diana Bautista seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. Gloria Vasquez, the new Alamo AAA director gave a brief introduction then went on to discuss Senior Day at the Capital. Stated that the committee should come up with some talking points so everyone states the same issues to the legislators that they hopefully can meet with. A Senior Day at the Capital committee was

formed with the following: Kelly Gallant, Veronica Arriaga, Patrice Doerries, and Denise Usner.

6. Discussion; issues relating to nutrition center policies. Veronica Arriaga from the Wilson County Coalition Committee asked about how money was allocated the different counties and why only one town in Wilson County receives the funding. Gloria Vasquez stated that there was a funding formula based on the population of adults over 60 and allocated to the vendors that have vendor agreements with Alamo AAA.

7. Staff Reports

- Maria Wilson discussed the Area Focus Groups and that the number one issues were transportation and then residential, meaning resources to repair homes. She stated that they had a nice mix of participants at the focus groups and again thanked all for their help. If anyone needs help with coordinating Senior Day please contact her.
- Dan Goetz discussed his handout regarding the different calls that are received in the Call Center. He detailed where he personally delivered Senior Resource Guides covering the Hill Country and New Braunfels. Committee asked why all the counties were not covered by the guides and it was stated that they were given to Alamo AAA at “no cost” for those areas only. Committee would like to see if the rest of the areas can be included in the next printing.

Also the Committee requested Mr. Goetz prepare a report with the IR&A calls broken down by county and what calls have been helped by staff and Alamo AAA’s services.

- Jim Rowland reported that 117 seniors participated in A Matter of Balance classes. He will coach his first Chronic Disease Self Management Program class with Patrice Doerries at the new Rainbow/Kronkosky Place in Boerne in September. The Texas Falls Prevention Week will be September 20-24 and he is planning activities in several counties. Alamo AAA’s new brochure for Health and Wellness was handed out.

8. Consider and act upon FY10 Budget Amendment for the Alamo Area Agency on Aging.

Lucille Rochs made the motion to approve the budget amendments. Darlene Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried.

9. Next Meeting Date: Friday, September 10, 2010.

10. Meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.