

Minutes
Alamo Area Council of Governments
Alamo Senior Advisory Committee Meeting
March 09, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Coral Adema
Jim Allen
Regina Applewhite
Veronica Arriaga
Wayne Brechtel
Jean Callaway
Patrice Doerries, Chairperson
Brenda Engelmann
Kelley Gallant
Genevieve Manley
Nicolina Ortiz
Linda Quick
Marlene Richter, Secretary
Lisa Senteno
Darin Zumwalt

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Roy Munoz

ALTERNATES ABSENT

Sara Pichardo

GUESTS

Joe Granados (Exec Director, Rainbow)
Becky Stephens
Maxine Perez (Ginny Funk)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Judge Diana Bautista
Laura Burney
Christine Cervera
Darlene Evans
Angela Fiedler
Ginny Funk
Doris Haecker
Robert Lopez
Erna Mae Pfiel
Lucille Rochs
Pam Thatcher
Denise Usener, Vice Chairperson
Tina Woods
Robert Fitzgerald, MD

STAFF PRESENT

Gloria Vasquez
Terry Haslett
Dan Goetz
Linnie Martin
Jim Rowland
Henri Eaton

1. Patrice Doerries, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.
2. Roll call was taken by Marlene Richter, Secretary, and a quorum was established. All committee members shared their birth state and how long they have been a resident of Texas.
3. There were no citizens to be heard.
4. Jean Callaway moved to accept and approve the minutes of January 13, 2012 as presented. Jim Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. Gloria Vasquez, Alamo AAA Director's Report was sent in the packet; she highlighted the following:

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon - Henri Eaton gave a short presentation regarding the Volunteer Luncheon to be held April 19, 2012 at Oak Hills Country Club.

Additional subjects included in the Alamo AAA Director's Report included: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA); National Nutrition Month; Regional Celebrations for Older American's Month - Alamo Aging, Care Improvement Plus; Adult Protective Services and Pride Home Health Services will be hosting Ice Cream Socials in each of our eleven counties; Save Your Vision Month; National Poison Prevention Week.

Lastly, Gloria Vasquez discussed Budget cuts brought about by shifts of the population from Rural to Urban areas. As a result of the shifts in population, the Department of Aging and Disabilities (DADS) adjusted the funding formula for distributing all available funds resulting in a \$100,000 cut in funding to Alamo Aging. The loss will be phased in over the next three years. It is Alamo Aging's intent to mitigate cuts to direct services as well as pursue funding from other sources to make up for the loss.

6. Patrice Doerries presented an update of the progress of the Bylaws Committee. Bylaw Committee members were introduced and include Patrice Doerries, Gloria Vasquez, Veronica Arriaga, Kelley Gallant, Linda Quick and Coral Adema. A PowerPoint presentation highlighted the purpose of the Bylaws as well as the goals of the revisions. The committee will continue to review and finalize revisions and present findings at the May advisory meeting. Legal will then review the document prior to approval by the Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) board of directors.
7. Gloria Vasquez and Dan Goetz reviewed the Quarterly Alamo Aging Service Report.
8. Rural Senior Transportation: Regional Coordination Planning - Rog elio Munoz, Mobility Specialist discussed preliminary findings of the Transportation Survey. The Survey deadline is March 31, 2012. Final survey results are to be presented at the May advisory meeting. Gloria Vasquez commented on the rising demand for transportation despite funding cuts. Discussion ensued regarding prioritizing medical rides over nutrition transportation.
9. Staff Reports: Written reports were provided. Linnie Martin, Dan Goetz, and Jim Rowland presented to the advisory committee the current highlights of their areas of expertise.
10. The next meeting date: Friday, May 11, 2012.
11. Brenda Engelmann moved to adjourn the meeting. Jean Callaway seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.