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Lee County
Senior Services

Wednesday, May 15, 2019
The Enrichment Center Conference Room, 1615 S. Third Street, Sanford, NC 27330

Board Members Present:	Cleo Bryant, Mary Ann Gaster, Henry Merritt, Jim Payne, Joyce Smith, Martha Wicker
Board Members Absent:	Trudy Forrest, Commissioner Robert Reives, Mary Upchurch
Staff Present:	Debbie Davidson, Melanie Rodgers, Debbie Williams
Guests Present:	Ellison Jones, Kristen Jackson

1. 8:29 a.m. Jim Payne called the meeting to order, welcomed the group and announced a quorum present.
2. Jim Payne asked if there are any corrections or additions to the Agenda. With no updates, Mary Ann Gaster made a motion to accept the Agenda as written, second by Cleo Bryant and all in favor.
3. Jim Payne asked if there are any corrections to the May 15, 2019 minutes. Jim Payne noted to correct #5 regarding the Governor's Awards. It should read, "The group going to the Governor's office presentation are the ones awarded the Governor's Medallion Award. Only 20 recipients of this award throughout the state received it." There were no further corrections to the minutes. Henry Merritt made a motion to accept the minutes with the one correction, second by Mary Ann Gaster and all in favor.
4. There were no public comments.

Move to 6. Melanie Rodgers reviewed the April 2019 Financial Report. Mary Ann Gaster asked what happens when the projection is not met with consumer contributions. Melanie answered when the projection is not met, other funds, such as additional Lee County dollars supplement. Mary Ann Gaster asked is there anything the staff or board members can do to encourage participants to contribute more to the services? Melanie answered the NC Division of Aging and Adult Services has a Consumer Contributions Policy. Each service has set policies as to the details staff members may communicate with participants, such as cost and contributing. Melanie said she will present cost information to the group in the Diners Club, which is allowed. Melanie reviewed the April 2019 MySeniorCenter report.

5. Debbie Williams provided information about upcoming Senior Center Programs, distributed flyers and referenced the May 2019 Center Post newsletter. Debbie reviewed attendance numbers for the Celebration Luncheon, Lasting Impressions programs and the Volunteer Appreciation reception. Up and coming programs include a Couponing Class, Let's Talk Real Estate and One Night in TV Land drama with dinner. Debbie said there was a suggestion to have a band or dancers clogging at the Fall Festival to bring in more customers. The Fall Festival vendors have said in the past they would rather there not be entertainment at the Fall Festival for fear it would deter purchases. Debbie said that was years ago and she will consider the request and speak with some of the regular FF vendors for their input. Debbie said she and her staff are in process of planning many large events for August through November. She encouraged the board refer to The Center Post Newsletter and stop by the EC often for new information. Details will

come out as events and programs are confirmed. There will be health screenings, Senior Center Month, Caregiver programs and events, new Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Classes and much more.

7. Debbie Davidson provided Department Updates. Senior Games and Silver Arts of Lee County events have started. Opening ceremonies was last night with 64 in attendance. There are four replacement vehicles in FY2019 for COLTS. Three are 20' lift vehicles and one is 25'. Lee County Govt. agreed to maintain the older replaced 25' and transfer it from COLTS to Senior Services. Transportation rates will increase in FY2020. Transportation requests for COLTS are continually increasing. One day in April 2019, 275 trips were provided. Debbie provided an update about Medicaid reform as it relates to COLTS providing non-emergency medical transportation for Dept. of Social Services as well as Senior Services programs. NC Dept. of Health and Human Services announced the entities who have received contracts to participate as Prepaid Health Plans (PHPs) in Medicaid Managed Care. The program begins in November 2019. The FY2020 budget for Senior Services and COLTS is with the Board of County Commissioners. Debbie thanked Henry Merritt, Cleo Bryant and Jim Payne for renewing their term (3 year) on the Senior Services Advisory Board.

Move to 9 and 10. Debbie Davidson reminded the board that Lee County has four seats on the Triangle J Area Agency on Aging Advisory Board. One seat is filled by Trudy Forrest and there are three vacancies. Jim Payne advised that the next Tri J AAA Adv. Board meeting will be May 21, 2019. Debbie Davidson reminded the board that Lee County is seeking a delegate and alternate for the Senior Tar Heel Legislature. Contact Debbie for more information and an application. Jim Payne commented that the bulk of the work at the STHL is to approve and set the top 5 priorities for NC older adults, then pass the 5 priorities to the elected NC representatives. The top 5 priorities for NC older adults should be the same or similar at the local level and shared with those elected officials as well. Mary Warren with Tri J will forward Bill Tracker, which helps you see if the STHL is successful with their work and the priorities.

8. Melanie Rodgers opened the FY2020 Home and Community Care Block Grant hearing and distributed the 732 Provider Services Summary for Lee County. She reviewed each service provided and the associated revenues, expenses, units and rates. Jim Payne asked if one trip or round trip is a unit. Melanie answered when the client steps on the vehicle, then steps off at their destination, it's one unit. With no further questions, Mary Ann Gaster made a motion to accept the FY2020 HCCBG Lee County Provider Services Summary, seconded by Cleo Bryant and all in favor.

11. Old/New Business. Debbie Davidson advised the board that two Home Delivered Meals volunteers resigned this week. We are seeking regular and fill in volunteers for this program. Contact Janice Holmes or Laurie Draughn.

12. Debbie Davidson reminded the board that they do not normally meet in June or July unless a meeting is needed. She asked the board for approval of the summer schedule. Joyce Smith made a motion that the board not meet in June or July unless needed, seconded by Martha Wicker and all in favor. The next Senior Services Advisory Board meeting will be at 8:30 AM, Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at The Enrichment Center.

13. With no further business, Cleo Bryant made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mary Ann Gaster and all in favor, 9:36 AM.