

LEE COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 17, 2017 The Enrichment Center, 1615 S. Third Street, Sanford, NC 27330

Board Members Present: Trudy Forrest, Jim Payne, Mary Upchurch
Board Members Absent: Cleo Bryant, Vera Marks, Henry Merritt, Karen Oldham, Comm. Robert Reives
Staff Present: Debbie Davidson, Bettie Raynor, Melanie Rodgers, Debbie Williams
Guests Present: Nonnie (Joyce) Smith, Ellison Jones –Triangle J Area Agency on Aging, Bud Greene

8:30 a.m. Jim Payne called the meeting to order and introductions made. Jim confirmed with three board members present, a quorum was not present and therefore, voting cannot take place. The group proceeded with the agenda.

No public comments.

Melanie Rodgers distributed and reviewed the April 2017 finance report and MySeniorCenter report. Copies are included in the original minutes.

Melanie Rodgers reviewed the February 2017 MySeniorCenter report. A copy of the report is included with the original minutes.

Debbie Williams reviewed upcoming programs and distributed flyers. The recent Women's Program held April 20 was a success with over 78 in attendance. The recent Celebration Luncheon held May 3 honoring Lee County's 90-year-olds and better was a success with more than 140 in attendance. The May 11 Desserts on the Lawn was well attended and enjoyed by many newcomers to The Center. Dana and Sergio Guevara provided special music. Senior Games and Silver Arts Opening Ceremonies, Dinner and Follies held May 16 was well attended and enjoyable. There are still events remaining in May for The Enrichment Center's 25th Anniversary and in honor of Older Americans Month, such as May 31 All American Day for Lee County Veterans . On June 8, there will be a program at 6 pm about Social Security. On June 9, author and cancer survivor Kimberly McLean will share her story. Bye Bye Stress program at 2 pm on June 9. CCCC is offering an acrylic paint class at The Center in June and July. Holly Hight will soon teach beginner computer classes and smart phone classes. Read The Center Post for further details. On July 13, The EC Drama Team presents, "A Mid-Summer Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre." There were no suggestions submitted to The Center.

8:50 a.m. – Bud Greene arrives.

Jim Payne commented Medicare cards would soon change to prevent ID fraud. More information will come later from the Social Security Administration office. Jim advised according to Federal Government guidelines by the year 2020 NC citizens must have the NC Real ID. It is an identification card for security measures. The following information is from <https://www.ncdot.gov/dmv/driver/realid/>

The N.C. REAL ID will soon make it more convenient for you when you need to board a commercial airplane or visit a military base or other federal facility.

Beginning in 2020, federal agencies will enforce tougher security standards at airport check-ins and federal buildings, military installations and nuclear facilities.

The optional N.C. REAL ID is just like your traditional license or ID but has a gold star endorsement at the top.

Rather not get an N.C. REAL ID license or ID? You'll still be able to board flights and enter federal facilities, but you will need to provide your license or ID along with some additional documentation.

Getting an N.C. REAL ID Getting an N.C. REAL ID driver license or ID card costs the same as any other license or ID, and the process is similar. Simply go to your nearest N.C. Division of Motor Vehicles driver license office with documentation that proves:

- Your identity and date of birth
- You have a Social Security number
- Your residency
- Your legal presence (lawful status)

View a list of documents that are acceptable proof. (available at <https://www.ncdot.gov/dmv/driver/realid/>)

To confirm identity and residency under the federal law, NCDMV scans these documents and permanently and securely stores them in your DMV record.

You can expect to receive your N.C. REAL ID driver license or ID card by mail in 10-15 business days.

8:55 a.m. Trudy Forrest arrives.

Debbie Davidson said the Senior Services Advisory Board By-Laws state that the Board must meet nine (9) times per year. She asked the members' preference whether to meet June and July 2017. The members in attendance agreed not to meet June and July 2017.

Melanie Rodgers distributed and reviewed the FY2018 Home & Community Care Block Grant Provider Services Summary. The allocation for FY2018 is \$368,562. Melanie explained each service, the required local match, USDA dollars, reimbursement rates and projected clients. The required local match is 10%, calculated \$40,952. Due to a quorum not present, those in attendance agreed to the FY2018 HCCBG Provider Services Summary for Lee County. Copies are included in the original minutes.

Debbie Davidson advised that the County Manager approved the Senior Services and COLTS FY2018 department budget requests. On May 22, 2017, the Lee County Board of Commissioners meet to vote on the FY2018 Lee County budget. Jim Payne asked if there had been any reduction in funds to the Home Delivered Meals program. Debbie replied no reductions from the State nor the Federal funds. However, the Federal budget year begins October 1, 2017. Our FY18 budget request for meals is to serve on average 80 congregate and 33 Home Delivered Meals per day.

Mary Upchurch gave a report about the recent Triangle J Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council meeting. Members received an Advocacy Alert. You can advocate for older adults, senior centers and the services and programs in many forms. The most effective form of communication to elected officials is through email. Postal mail takes longer due to security and in-house routing. Mary advised that there is an opening for a Lee County member on the Triangle J Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council. The Council meets the third Tuesday every other month. Mary or Debbie Davidson can provide further details. Mary reported that Triangle J AAA provided their recent monitoring report, which was from the NC Division of Aging and Adult Services. Mary reported that the Ombudsman spoke and provided a report.

Debbie Davidson advised there are seven counties included in Triangle J Council of Governments: Lee, Chatham, Moore, Orange, Durham, Wake and Johnston. Kristin Jackson is the Aging Program Coordinator at Triangle J Area Agency on Aging, and provides Home and Community Care Block Grant technical assistance, oversight and monitoring for the seven counties. Ellison Jones provides the same to the counties for the National Family Caregiver Program Grant.

Old/New Business: None

The next board meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at The Enrichment Center.

9:35 a.m. With no further business, the meeting ended.

Respectfully Submitted by Debbie Davidson, Secretary Debbie Davidson, Secretary
 Jim Payne, Chair Jim Payne - Chair