

LEE COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 15, 2014

Board Members Present: Alice Beardslee, Commissioner Ricky Frazier, Jim Payne, Esther Siler, Mary Upchurch
Board Members Absent: Woody Beale, Karen Oldham, Donese Pulley, Jim Turner
Staff Present: Debbie Davidson, Melanie Rodgers, Debbie Williams

Mary Upchurch opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. The Board approved the November 20, 2013 minutes.

Debbie Davidson distributed flyers about upcoming programs. We are currently planning spring 2014 and fall 2014 programs. We have applied for certification to be a Silver Sneakers fitness program. One fitness instructor has been through training and another will enroll. Call Silver Sneakers and request The EC to be a location or sign your name on the sheet at the front desk. A Happy 65th Birthday Welcome to Medicare program will be held Jan 16. Ballroom Dance is ending due to the instructor moving. A Living Healthy with Diabetes series will begin January 23. Beginner Computer Classes will begin as a volunteer instructor has been secured. A free vision screening will be held Feb. 17 on behalf of the Kate B. Reynolds Foundation. The Black History Celebration will be held Feb. 28 in the Grand Hall. AARP Tax Filing will begin Feb. 3; appointments are being taken. NC Symphony tickets are available at The EC. Mary Upchurch asked how many participants are in Powerful Tools for Caregivers series. Debbie advised twenty have registered.

Debbie Davidson advised that there were no suggestion submitted since the last meeting.

Melanie Rodgers provided the November 2013 Financial Report. A copy is attached to the original minutes. Mary Upchurch asked if Helping Fund donations are coming in regular and how many Angel Tree boxes were delivered. Melanie advised yes, HF donations are coming in regular and over 140 Angel Tree boxes were delivered before Christmas.

Debbie Davidson provided Lee County Department updates. The Enrichment Center, Inc. will write an \$1800 check to Senior Services for private donations for Wednesday meals July – September, 2013 due to the Federal Sequester. There has been no news of further Federal Sequestration. The Enrichment Center, Inc. recently received an estate contribution. In keeping with the desires of the estate, plans include revitalization of The EC ¼ mile trail and depositing additional funds into The Helping Fund so that assistance is not suspended. Work has begun on the FY2015 Lee County Senior Services and COLTS departmental budgets. They are due to the County Manager and Finance Director by March 3, 2014. Esther Siler asked about the partnership with the Stevens Center and COLTS. Debbie advised that the Stevens Center has a contract with COLTS to provide transportation Thursdays and Fridays 5 p.m. – 10 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. 2 p.m. Anyone with a disability can ride. An aide may ride if needed. Citizens register for the program with Stevens Center by calling 919-776-4048.

The Triangle J Area Agency on Aging Advisory Board will meet January 21, 2014.

Old/New Business – The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. Senator Ronald Rabin will speak and a light breakfast will be served.

Respectfully Submitted by Melanie Rodgers

On behalf of Debbie Davidson, Secretary

Mary Upchurch, Chair


