

LEE COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 16, 2016 The Enrichment Center Conference Room, Sanford, NC

Board Members Present: Cleo Bryant, Trudy Forrest, Henry Merritt, Jr., Jim Payne, Mary Upchurch

Board Members Absent: Comm. Ricky Frazier, Vera Marks, Karen Oldham

Staff Present: Debbie Davidson, Holly Hight, Melanie Rodgers, Debbie Williams

8:30 a.m. Jim Payne called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. He asked if anyone had questions or additions to the agenda. With no questions or additions to the agenda, Trudy Forrest made a motion to accept the agenda, seconded by Cleo Bryant. All were in favor. Jim Payne asked if there were any questions about the October 19, 2016 meeting minutes. With no questions, Mary Upchurch made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Henry Merritt. All were in favor.

No public comments.

Debbie Davidson provided updates for the Senior Services/COLTS Department. Special holiday programs will be in December in the Diners Club. January and February is planning time and Triangle J AAA monitoring preparation time for Program Managers. The Program Managers and Staff will have a planning session in January 2017, which will include discussion of 25th Anniversary of The Enrichment Center (May 2017). Debbie Davidson and Melanie Rodgers will prepare the FY2018 COLTS and Senior Services budgets in February 2017. Clerk to the BOCC Gaynell Lee is retiring November 29, 2016. Jennifer Gamble is the replacement Clerk to the BOCC. Due to the recent elections, there will be a new BOCC named to the Senior Services Advisory Board in December 2016. Elections Director Nancy Kimble is retiring December 2016. COLTS has two replacement vehicles on order.

Holly Hight provided information about National Family Caregiver Month, November 2016. Candlelight Reflections took place Thursday evening, November 3 with 15 in attendance. Amedysis will sponsor The Enrichment Center's Thanksgiving Caregiver Appreciation Dinner on Thursday, November 17. The Grancare program is actively seeking grandparents raising grandchildren. We desire to provide these caregivers programs, information and support while raising their grandchildren. Please refer grandparents to Holly, ext. 2230. The EC Drama Club will perform a skit, "All My Gallstones" in the Diners Club on Wednesday, December 28, 2016. Currently there are 11 participants in Caregiver Time Out, held Tuesdays from 1 PM to 3 PM in the Game Room.

Debbie Williams provided a Senior Center report and upcoming program information. The Veterans Appreciation Breakfast had over 200 in attendance. We very much appreciate Lee Setzer and Miller Boles Funeral Home sponsoring the meal. The breakfast was at the Civic Center and plans are for the 2017 event to be there as well. Each veteran received a cap with "Lee County Veteran". Debbie Williams and Melanie Rodgers will attend SCOPE – Senior Center Operations and Program Evaluation – training December 8 in Greenville. This is required for Senior Center Certification of Excellence. Nominations for the 2017 Governor's Award for Volunteer Service will be accepted through Friday, January 13, 2017. Contact Janice Holmes, ext. 2206, for a nomination form. Businesses, organizations, individuals and groups can be nominated. The final Medicare Part D Open Enrollment Clinic will be at The Enrichment Center on Thursday, December 1 from 8:30 AM until 4:00 PM.

Melanie Rodgers provided the October 2016 Finance Report and Senior Center Report from MySeniorCenter computer system. Copies are with the original minutes.

Debbie Davidson advised that Yolandra Williams is working a 4-month internship through Vocational Rehabilitation.

Jim Payne provided a Triangle J Area Agency on Aging report. Jim reviewed information about the Duke Geriatric Enhancement Program, an aggregate group of professionals to enhance the well-being and welfare of geriatric wellness. Debbie Davidson shared she is part of the same local committee through Central Carolina Hospital/Duke Life Point. The current Ombudsman at Tri J AAA is retiring December 2016. There was discussion of the importance of the reauthorization of the Older Americans Act as it relates to Home and Community Care Block Grant Funding to local providers such as Senior Services.

Old/New Business:

Due to the holiday schedule, the board agreed not to meet in December 2016. The next board meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at The Enrichment Center.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:04 AM.

Respectfully Submitted by Debbie Davidson, Secretary Debbie Davidson

Jim Payne, Chair Jim Payne