



Agenda

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DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

State Capitol Round House – Committee Room #310

Santa Fe, New Mexico

Tuesday, January 27, 2015 (9:00 a.m.)

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MINUTES OF THE
DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES
ADVISORY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 27, 2015

A meeting of the City of Santa Fe Division of Senior Services Advisory Board of Directors was called to order by Andres Romero, Chairman at 9:00 a.m. on this date at the State Capitol Round Rouse, Committee Room #310, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Roll Call indicated the presence of a quorum for conducting official business as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Andres Romero, Chairperson
Mary Louise Giron, Vice Chairperson
Rosemary Trujillo, Secretary
Gilbert Alarid
Toni Ann Gallegos
Dennis Gonzales
Elaina K. Gonzalez
Virginia Lucero
Corrine Sanchez
Doug Schocke

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bernardo C de Baca, excused

STAFF PRESENT

Lugi Gonzales, Division of Senior Services Manager
Carlos Sandoval, Division of Senior Services Meals on Wheels Supervisor
Ron Vialpando, Division of Senior Services Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Representative Carl Trujillo
Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Dennis Gonzales.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Doug Schocke and was recited by all present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Trujillo moved to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Sanchez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 18, 2014

Mr. Gonzales moved to approve the Minutes of the December 18, 2014 meeting as submitted. Ms. Sanchez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a) Introduction of Legislators and Dignitaries

Representative Carl Trujillo was introduced to the Board.

Representative Trujillo asked if there were any questions, concerns, ideas or priorities.

Mr. Schocke said he heard there is talk about making a new information system board.

Representative Trujillo said there are two pieces of legislation: 1) One for this Board that will vet the best ideas for new technology and intellectual property. The board members have to have experience in either major capital, law or investment banking. 2) Medical Transparency Bill: This bill will require the hospitals to post the top 100 procedures and the costs for those procedures.

Representative Trujillo said he would like to hear from all of the stakeholders on this bill.

Ms. Giron noted that there is a magazine called "*US Hospitals*" that contains this information for hospitals nationwide that do procedures. She said possibly they can refer to this as a guide.

Representative Trujillo said that was a great idea and he will take a look at that.

Ms. Gonzalez noted that she heard in the news that there is going to be a Sun Zia Line in 2017, which is supposed to bring approximately 25,000 jobs to the State of New Mexico. Ms. Gonzalez asked if Representative Trujillo was aware of this.

In response, Representative Trujillo said yes and he thinks this is a utility line. He noted that U.S. Secretary of the Interior, Sally Jewell is introducing legislation for this. The idea is that this proposed transmission line would take New Mexico-produced wind and solar energy to the Arizona and California electrical markets.

Representative Trujillo had to leave to attend another meeting. The Board thanked him for attending today's meeting.

b) DPA Program Units of Service

Mr. Vialpando gave an update on the Program's Units of Services as follows:

- The Division of Senior Services is showing a shortage, based on projections, in congregate meals by approximately 1000 units of services.
- The Division of Senior Services requested an amendment to the DPS with the AAA - to reduce the projected units of services by this amount, but they have not heard back from them as of yet.
- The Division of Senior Services is showing an overage of 5,427 in Home-Delivered meals.
- The Division of Senior Services is showing an overage of 400 units for transportation services. The Division of Senior Services should be able to close the gap by the end of the fiscal year.
- The Division of Senior Services is showing a shortage in respite units by 418 units. The vacancy in respite was recently filled. The Division of Senior Services should be able to close the gap by the end of the fiscal year.
- The Division of Senior Services is showing an overage of approximately 10 units for homemaker services. This is expected to go up with the new homemaker that was hired recently.

c. Annual Senior Public Hearing Update

Mr. Vialpando thanked the Board Members who attended the Annual Senior Public Hearing. He noted that there was a great turnout and staff did an outstanding job. There were attendees from the congressional delegation and from the Agency on Aging. He said they received a lot of valuable information from the community regarding their needs and recommendations.

The following recommendations were ranked and prioritized based on the senior citizens' input and vote:

- 1) Home Management Services (Homemaker services) = 51
- 2) Transportation = 49
- 3) Respite Care = 48(Chore services and other medical services: transportation)
- 4) Congregate Meals = 46
- 5) Home Delivered Meals = 41
- 6) Supplemental Services/Grandparents Raising Grandchildren = 39
- 7) Health Promotion = 34
- 8) Other – Volunteer Programs

Mr. Vialpando noted that the Division of Senior Services is presently working on the budget. He mentioned that the City, as a whole, has a budget deficit of approximately \$2.1 million and they are working on ways that they can cover this gap. They are possibly looking at a 2% reduction in the operating budget for next year. The present Division of Senior Services operating budget is approximately \$866,000 with a combination of state and federal dollars.

Mr. Vialpando said the Division of Senior Services staff will be attending budget training on February 4th. He was asked if the City indicated where, or how they have the \$2.1 million budget shortfall and he said he will have more information after the budget training, and what the final plans are at that point in time.

Ms. Gallegos said In-Home Support Services are greatly needed for those seniors who do not have someone to take care of them.

Chairman Romero expressed concerns that senior services could be cut. He thinks the City needs to consider this and prioritize the senior programs that are essential. He said he would like to write a letter on behalf of the Board expressing this.

Mr. Schocke moved to authorize Chairman Romero to write a letter to the City on behalf of the Board. Ms. Giron seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Romero asked for an update on the construction projects.

Mr. Vialpando noted that the Request for Proposals went out but they did not receive any bids because many of the contractors did not meet the deadline. He mentioned that there are many grant requirements given the number of funding sources. The Request for Proposals for the projects will go out to bid again.

COMMENTS FROM LEGISLATORS

There were no other Legislators present (other than Representative Carl Trujillo who spoke earlier), therefore there were no comments from Legislators.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The written Committee Reports were submitted, distributed and reviewed.
{Please see Exhibit "A" for the specifics.}

Foster Grandparent /Senior Companion Programs Committee

Ms. Gallegos moved to accept the Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Program Committee monthly report as submitted, and include it as part of the record with the Minutes. Ms. Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

RSVP Committee

Ms. Lucero asked why it was taking so long to fill the RSVP Community Relations Administrator position.

Mr. Vialpando explained that Kristin Slatter-Huff was on leave and they had to wait until she completed her leave to take her off the books. However, they have hired Tristian Trujillo who will start in the next two weeks. Ms. Trujillo has work experience and is knowledgeable in this area.

Ms. Lucero moved to accept the RSVP Committee monthly report as submitted, and include it as a part of the public record with the Minutes. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

In-Home Support Services Committee

Ms. Giron asked if there is a waiting list for these services.

Ms. Vialpando said yes, they have a waiting list for both respite and in-home support services of approximately 65 individuals. However, they should be able to relieve this list with the recent two hires.

Ms. Trujillo moved to accept the In-Home Support Services Committee monthly report as submitted, and include it as a part of the public record with the Minutes. Mr. Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Transportation and Nutrition Committee

Mr. Schocke moved to accept the Transportation and Nutrition Committee monthly report as submitted, and include it as a part of the public record with the Minutes. Ms. Lucero seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Senior Olympic Committee

Ms. Sanchez moved to accept the Senior Olympics Committee monthly report as submitted and include it as a part of the public record with the Minutes. Ms. Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

UNFINISHED/OTHER BUSINESS

a. Advisory Board reappointments

Mr. Vialpando said he is going to refer this to Lugi Gonzales who has been working with the City Clerk's office on the reappointments.

Ms. Lugi Gonzales said the names of Dennis Gonzales and Corrine Sanchez have been submitted for reappointment and will go to City Council for approval at their next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Schocke noted that a couple of printers at the MEG Center are not working.

Ms. Lugi Gonzales said there are some printers in the storage area and she will check if they are working. She invited Mr. Schocke to see the printers that are in the storage area.

Chairman Romero noted that Ms. Rosemarie Trujillo sent the Board a Thank You card for the Sympathy Card that the Board sent her on the loss of her husband. Chairman Romero read the card to the Board.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Chairman Romero noted that he and Dennis Gonzales would not be available for the next five months on the third Wednesday of the month. They will be attending a class.

After discussion, the following motion was made:

Ms. Giron moved to change the meeting dates to the Third Tuesday of the month for the next five months. Ms. Lucero seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

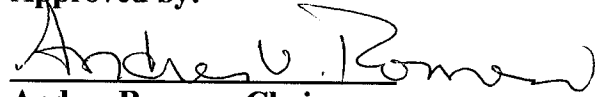
The next meeting is scheduled for February 17, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

The Board will go back to meeting on the Third Wednesday in July.

ADJOURNMENT

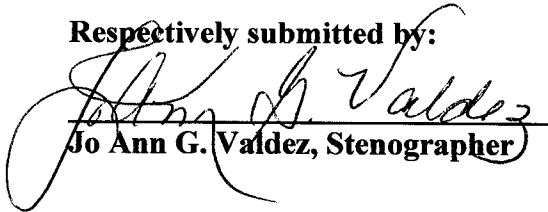
There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Approved by:



Andres Romero, Chairman

Respectively submitted by:



Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer