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**DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES  
SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Mary Esther Gonzales Senior Center  
1121 Alto Street

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 (Time: 9:30 a.m.)

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 17, 2018
- VI. DSS DIRECTORS REPORT
- VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS – By Gino Rinaldi
- VIII. UNFINISHED OTHER BUSINESS
- IX. NEW BUSINESS
- X. COMMENTS FROM FLOOR
- XI. DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING
- XII. ADJOURNMENT

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**DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES**  
**ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

**February 21, 2018**

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<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</b> <b>January 17, 2018</b>	<b>Approved [as submitted]</b>	<b>2</b>
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<b>UNFINISHED/OTHER BUSINESS</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>DATE AND LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING</b> (Scheduled for March 21, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.)		<b>6</b>
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	<b>Adjourned at 10:45 a.m.</b>	<b>6</b>

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES**  
**ADVISORY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**February 21, 2018**

A meeting of the City of Santa Fe Division of Senior Services Advisory Board of Directors was called to order by Andres Romero, Chairperson at 9:30 a.m. on this date at the Mary Esther Gonzales Senior Center, Board Room, 1121 Alto Street, 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-Gonzales, Secretary  
Toni Ann Gallegos  
Dennis Gonzales  
Virginia Lucero  
Corrine Sanchez  
Rod Winget

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Bernardo C de Baca, excused

**STAFF PRESENT**

Lugi Gonzales, Division of Senior Services  
Gino Rinaldi, Division of Senior Services Director

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer

**INVOCATION**

Invocation was led by Dennis Gonzales.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Corrine Sanchez and was recited by all present.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Mr. Gonzales moved to approve the agenda as published. Ms. Sanchez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 17, 2018**

**Mr. Gonzales moved to approve the Minutes of the January 17, 2018 meeting as submitted. Ms. Trujillo-Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.**

## **DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT-Gino Rinaldi**

Mr. Rinaldi reported as follows:

### **Appointments**

At the December 20<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, the Board approved a motion that the names of the elected at-large Board Members whose terms are expiring in January 2018 be submitted to the Mayor - asking him to consider appointing them as the Mayoral appointments. They are: Virginia Lucero, Bernardo C de Baca and Andres Romero. Mr. Rinaldi reported that the Clerk's Office suggested that they wait until the new Mayor comes in.

### **Age Friendly Resolution/Subcommittee**

Mr. Rinaldi said Rod Winget has been selected to represent the Board on the Age-Friendly Subcommittee. Five individuals have been identified to serve on the Subcommittee for a first-year term and they are: Rod Winget; Cindy Padilla (former Cabinet Secretary of Aging; Gene Varela (Executive Director of AARP); Ed Romero (Executive Director of Civic Housing Authority); and Larry Martinez (Healthcare representative). There will also be four members who will be appointed for a two-year term.

### **Results Based Accountability**

Mr. Rinaldi said the Results Based Accountability method that the City is working towards is not final but he will provide it to the Board when it is complete. This is a way for the City departments to track, and measure how they are doing and to address the problem areas - to change or improve them.

### **Budget**

Mr. Rinaldi said the Division of Senior Services is working on their budget for the upcoming fiscal year and was told to keep it at a flat budget. However, he is looking to ask for a case management position. This will not be medical-case management but more social-community based management to have more of a comprehensive approach in assisting seniors.

### **Area Agency on Aging Contract**

In December, the State of New Mexico indicated that they were going to pull the contract from the Non-Metro Area Agency on Aging-the North Central Agency on Aging, effective February 1, 2018. The Aging and Long-Term Services Department announced last month that the department was ending its contract with the Non-Metro Area Agency on Aging, but they never took the contract back. AAA filed an injunction.

Mr. Rinaldi reported that the Division of Senior Services received a letter on January 21<sup>st</sup> that stated that the State of New Mexico is not going to pull the contract and that the Area Agency on Agency will continue to manage the Division of Senior Services until the end of the contractual year. There will be a public town hall meeting soon. He offered to keep the Board updated as more information becomes available with regards to the contract with AAA.

He mentioned that AAA contacted the Division of Senior Services recently and they indicated that the assessment or audit will be conducted next week.

Chairman Romero asked for an update on the SAC as discussed at the last Board meeting.

Mr. Rinaldi said the SAC has hired an attorney and they need to decide what they want to do. This has now become a conversation between the City attorney and the SAC attorneys.

Ms. Lucero said the reason they hired an attorney is because SAC felt that they needed something in writing and they wanted a second opinion-on why they feel that the Board should not be supplementing the City of Santa Fe Division of Senior Services.

Chairman Romero said that question has been answered several times. He said SAC has to be a separate entity because of the Anti-Donation Clause. He felt that the money that will be used to pay an attorney could be used for the seniors.

Ms. Sanchez asked if the travel activities have to stop until this is resolved.

Mr. Rinaldi said no, he would like to increase the day-travel activities.

Mr. Rinaldi asked if there were any questions on the Director's Report and there were no questions, so he moved to the Committee Reports.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Rinaldi presented the Committee reports as follows:

### **Nutrition Program**

The numbers for the Meals on Wheels units of services have decreased because they have lost some seniors due to death, to hospitalization or institutionalization and some people have moved in with family members. They have also lost some senior citizens due to influenza.

The numbers for the congregate meals have increased.

Ms. Giron asked Mr. Rinaldi if there was a waiting list for home-delivered meals.

Mr. Rinaldi said no.

### **Transportation Program**

The Division of Senior Services saw an increase in the number of units of services for transportation in the month of January. More drivers have been hired and another one will be hired in a month or so.

Mr. Rinaldi said the Division of Senior Services will begin the process of purchasing new vehicles soon.

### **In-Home and Respite Program**

As reported previously, Mr. Rinaldi is moving forward with building a case management component within the in-home and respite support services program. He said they are working on the budget and this will be one area that he will include in the budget.

Mr. Rinaldi noted that respite and in-home providers have had to throw out some meals because of expired dates for some of their clients. They don't always eat the home-delivered meals.

Mr. Rinaldi explained that the Division of Senior Services is losing respite providers because of the low pay. The job can also be demanding and individuals can get the same starting pay at a less stressful job, such as McDonald's.

However, the Division of Senior Services is meeting their goals (in terms of respite services) and are currently at 92% of their goal.

### **Volunteers**

Mr. Rinaldi reported that the Division of Senior Services seems to be doing well with the Volunteer Program. They are getting ready for the Volunteer Recognition Banquet that will be held at the Convention Center sometime in May. The Board will be provided additional information once it is available. The event will be catered this year.

Mr. Rinaldi asked Lugi Gonzales if she had anything to add.

### **Activities:**

Lugi Gonzales said there will be a health promotion event tomorrow at the Raymond G. Sanchez Recreation Center, 9800 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Albuquerque from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This is a free event (Get UP, Get *Movin'* Get Fit) that the New Mexico Senior Olympics is putting on. There will be workshops on: how to add physical activity to your day to increase strength and balance; health and wellness through education, fitness and sports for adults 50+; and free health screenings. The Division of Senior Services will be providing transportation to the event and the bus will be leaving at 8:00 a.m. Interested individuals can contact Lugi Gonzales or Albert Chavez.

She asked Chairman Romero about the new Southwest History Class.

Chairman Romero said the Southwest History Book Reading Club started and they had eight people for the month of February. They will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. here at the Mary Esther Gonzales Senior Center.

Lugi Gonzales noted that next week's class Reading Club will be moved to the Computer Room because of the AAA visit.

Lugi Gonzales mentioned that they have some instructors now and there will be computer classes at the MEG Center on Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to noon. The classes on Mondays will be focused on internet and computer security and maintenance and how to protect your home computer, tablet and phone from computer viruses and malware, SPAM and identify theft. The classes on Wednesdays will focus on basic browsing, email, Microsoft programs and other general computer questions. The classes on Fridays will focus on assistance with job searches, online applications, email, research and other general computer instruction. They also started a computer class at the Luisa Senior Center on February 8<sup>th</sup> that is held on Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

### **Senior Olympics**

Mr. Rinaldi said enrollment closed last Friday for this year's Senior Olympics for the City. He noted that they received 329 applications.

Ms. Sanchez said that is good. She explained that enrollment has gone down in previous years due to travel and hotel expenses.

Mr. Rinaldi noted that this for the City Senior Olympics and the State games will held in July. This is a qualifying hear for nationals and nations will be held next year in Albuquerque. 30,000-40,000 participants are expected.

#### **UNFINISHED/OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished or other business.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

Chairman Romero asked if there were any comments from the floor and there were none.

#### **TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. at the Mary Esther Gonzales Senior Center.

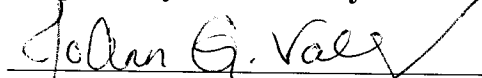
#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Giron moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Trujillo-Gonzales, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.



**Andres Romero, Chairperson**

**Respectively submitted by:**

  
**JoAnn G. Valdez, Stenographer**