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DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES
SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Mary Esther Gonzales Senior Center
1121 Alto Street, Santa Fe, NM
Wednesday, January 19, 2011
9:30 a.m.

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- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 15, 2010
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ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

January 19, 2011

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MINUTES OF THE
DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES
ADVISORY BOARD OF DIRECTORS
January 19, 2011

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 in the 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
Janet Amtmann, Vice Chairperson
Rosemarie Trujillo, Secretary
Bernardo C de Baca
Mary Louise Giron
Doug Schocke
Ken Scott
Olivia Trujillo
Susan S. Warren

MEMBERS ABSENT

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Raymond Chavez
Elaina K. Gonzalez
Connie Medina
Virginia Soto, resigned

STAFF PRESENT

Lugi Gonzales, Division of Senior Services
Ron Vialpando, Division of Senior Services Interim Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Tacho Garcia, MEG senior citizen member
Ron Pacheco, Santa Fe County Senior Services Program Director
Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Ms. Giron.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Rosemarie Trujillo moved to approve the agenda as published. Ms. Amtmann seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 14, 2010

The following change was made to the Minutes of the December 14, 2010 meeting:

Page 3, 2nd paragraph, last sentence, was changed to read: *“So, the City decided to order new **defibrillators** and that way they will be the same.”*

Ms. Giron moved to approve the Minutes of the December 14, 2010 meeting as amended. Ms. Olivia Trujillo seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

DSS DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Chairperson Romero noted that Mr. Ron Vialpando is the Interim Division Director for the Division of Senior Services.

Mr. Vialpando reported that changes have been made at the Division of Senior Services as follows:

- Patricia Rodriguez has left - Mr. Vialpando is the Interim Division Director.
- Mary Dean has resigned effective January 11, 2011; Lugi Gonzales is working in her capacity and has moved into her office.
- Section Heads are now required to provide a weekly report of their activities from the previous week to Mr. Vialpando.
- There will now be meetings every Thursday at 1:00 p.m. to discuss upcoming events, etc.

Mr. Vialpando mentioned that “Senior Day” at the Legislature will be on February 14, 2011. The Division of Senior Services will have a table set up at the Legislature and plan to have a shuttle to transport senior citizens to the event.

Mr. Vialpando reported that the Edgewood Senior Center has been closed for the last two weeks due to a frozen waterline. Staff from the Edgewood Senior Center is presently reporting to Santa Fe. Congregate meals are being offered in Santa Fe and Moriarty and home delivered meals are being provided.

Mr. Vialpando announced that the cook (Lillian Lopez) at the Chimayo Senior Center has resigned effective January 10th. Staff is filling in until the vacancy is filled.

Mr. Vialpando said that the Division of Senior Services recruited a new employee from Aging and Long Term Care Services; the employee will work at the Mary Esther Gonzales Senior Center.

Mr. Vialpando noted that the kick off for Senior Olympics was on January 10th and registration has started here at the MEG Center.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

No reports given.

UNFINISHED/OTHER BUSINESS

a. Defibrillators

Mr. Vialpando reported that Chairperson Romero and Board Member Doug Schocke met with Isaac Pino regarding the defibrillators. Mr. Pino spoke with the City Fire Chief Barbara Salas and she provided him some information from a company called "EMS Aspects"- a company who specializes in these types of equipment.

Mr. Vialpando said they are looking at approximately \$1400 for each unit and offered to forward this information to Chairperson Romero. Mr. Vialpando would like to install one of these units in each of the city senior facilities and requested assistance from the County to install the units at the county senior facilities.

Chairperson Romero, Mr. Vialpando and Mr. Schocke will meet and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Complaint about senior citizen

Ms. Lugi Gonzales reported that there has been a complaint/situation with senior citizen member (Mr. Joe Martinez). Mr. Martinez refuses to follow the rules that are posted in the Pool Room – he refuses to leave the Pool Room when it closes at 4:30 p.m. Mr. Martinez has been suspended in the past, approximately 6-8 years ago for prior incidents.

Mr. Tacho Garcia is the Chairman of the Pool Room Committee. He explained that Mr. Martinez can get unruly and verbally abusive.

Ms. Giron asked if the Code of Conduct and rules are posted in the Pool Room. Ms. Gonzales said yes.

Ms. Giron asked if there were written reports of the past incidents. Ms. Gonzales said yes, there are clear records of these incidents.

Following brief discussion, there was consensus of the Board that Mr. Vialpando would create a complaint/incident form that would be brought before the Executive Committee (to report these types of incidents in the future).

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Pacheco reported that there have been some building issues at some of the county buildings due to the cold weather, such as frozen and broken water pipes. The kitchen at the Edgewood Senior Center was destroyed with water damage and is presently being treated for possible mold issues. Some appliances, (the refrigerator, the water softener and the ice machine) also need to be replaced.

Mr. Pacheco noted that home-delivered meals are being delivered.

He mentioned that Rio el Medio Senior Center also had a water pipe break due to the cold temperatures.

Mr. Pacheco gave an update on the County transition noting that they met with the AAA and they indicated that they are ready to make this happen. There was consensus that the best time to make the transition happen would be July 1st, which is a new fiscal year. They have also agreed to publish public notices about the transition and have public hearings at each of the senior centers where people can weigh in on the transition.

Mr. Pacheco mentioned that the County has a little bit of experience with the emergency devices (defibrillators), and in fact they own one and would like to put one at all the senior facilities; however, they would like staff to get training on how to use the unit -- to ensure that they know how to use them properly so that they won't put people at risk.

Ms. Amtmann asked if staff has had basic CPR training.

In response, Mr. Vialpando said some DSS staff (in-home staff, transportation staff and meals-on-wheels staff) are mandated to be trained in first aid, as well as CPR, but he would like to require that *all* DSS staff be trained in first aid and CPR.

Mr. Pacheco suggested that they implement some basic first aid training at all the senior facilities. Ms. Olivia Trujillo agreed and recommended that senior citizens also be

given an opportunity to receive basic first aid training. Mr. Vialpando offered to look into this further.

Ms. Giron asked if there were any individuals on the Meals on Wheels waiting list.

Mr. Vialpando said yes, noting that the request is out of their service area.

Chairperson Romero asked if the letter was sent to the Santa Fe Fiesta Council. Ms. Amtmann said yes it was sent in early December. Chairperson Romero suggested that the letter be sent again "*certified mail return requested*" because the Board has not received a response.

Ms. Lugi Gonzales noted that Ms. Virginia Soto was contacted about the meeting and she verbally resigned from the Board.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for February 16, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. at the Mary Esther Gonzales Senior Center.

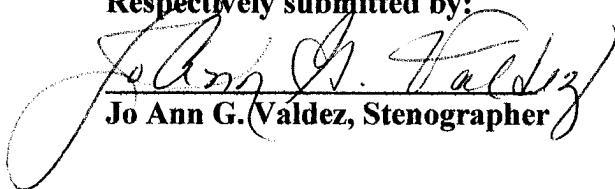
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Approved by:

Andres Romero, Chairperson

Respectively submitted by:


Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer