

AGING SERVICES COUNCIL

Minutes: June 5, 2008

Time:

8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Location: St. David’s Foundation

Attendees:

Christy Ramirez	MOWAM	Jo Ropiak	AHFH
Carol Johnson	TCC	Tom Spencer	AAIM
Mary Teeters	MOWAM	Katy Kappel	Silver Haired Leg.
Jason Earle	Harden Healthcare	Blake Robins	Harden Healthcare
Glenda Rogers	AAA		
Mick Koffend	Accountable Aging		
Christian Wells	Alz Assoc		
Joyce Lauck	AGE		
Mary Dodd	CAN		
Annette Juba	Greater Austin CARES		
Elizabeth Guernsey	UWCA		
Korey Darling	Travis Co. HHS&VS		
Jeff Kaller	AGE		

Items covered:

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of Minutes: - Glenda motioned for approval of Minutes from April, Mary T. second, approved.
3. Vision/Mission: - Glenda asked for review of previous mission/vision. Mary D. suggested that commas be used rather than semicolons. Called for vote. Katy K. moved to accept with commas, Carol second, approved.
4. Treasurer’s Report: - Liz gave update. The St. David’s Grant was deposited. Some money has been spent to reimburse Meals on Wheels and Jeff’s position. Balance is about \$25,000.
5. Interim Charge Legislative Updates: - Glenda: TSHL 12th session. Katy: Hearing on the 28th.
6. Follow up:
 - ❑ PSA’s: Carol said we are working with Susan Moore of Mambo Creative. They will start in July. The cost will be around \$12,700. Mary Teeters would like to capture some of the 211 data in a database.
 - ❑ Handyman: Mary D. stated that we intend to apply to a St. David’s Foundation “Innovation Grant.” We will need to set parameters for the project and implement it as a pilot to see the effectiveness. Glenda also suggested that we should use just one vendor. Tom Spencer

explained how his program, “Hands on Housing”, worked. It was concluded that the council has a different target group for the project.

- E-newsletter: Annette stated that the newsletter would contain items specific to Central Texas. Mary D. stated that constant contact software could be used to create the newsletter since it is relatively cheap and is not blocked as much anymore. Joyce L. suggested the newsletter should just link to the articles in order to avoid copyright issues. The frequency of the newsletter should be no more than every other week or monthly. Jason suggested it could link to the Council website. The committee will meet again to discuss content further, etc.
- CAN Update: Mary D. stated that if the Council had anything to share for her members to be active in then please let her know so she could convene a meeting. She explained the National Association of Planning Councils and the “Silver Tsunami” of retiring executives that hope to work in nonprofits during retirements.
- New Freedom/JARC: Jeannie was not present. Joyce L stated that there was new federal funding out there but not enough applicants out there. If you would like further information please contact Joyce L. or Jeannie.

7. Old/New Business:

- Joyce L. said that Letters of Support from the Council will be discussed at the next Steering Committee meeting.
- At the meeting in August, the Council should look at identifying the next co-chair.

8. Cap Metro Presentation: - Presentation on Proposed Fare Increases. All of the information is available online, as well as a survey. Overall, the cost of providing services has been increasing. There hasn't been a fare increase in 23 years, so now a basic increase of \$.50 is planned. Will be implemented August 27th.

9. Announcements:

- Christian: Grant Initiative; Early Stage Awareness.
- Mary T.: MOW received a grant to fund transportation into East Austin, in order to help get people to the doctors.
- Carol: AIDS in Aging Conference scheduled for Dec 2009.
- Joyce L.: AGE will take over operation of Williamson County ADC effective Jun 22nd, and it will be called ‘Elderhaven of Williamson County.’

10. Next Meeting: August 7th at 8:30am. Location: St. David's Foundation.