

AGING SERVICES COUNCIL
Minutes: October 2, 2008

Time: 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.
Location: St. David’s Foundation

Attendees:

Jill Findlay	AAA CAP	Courtney Evans	APS Intern
Joyce Lauck	AGE	Willie Williams	ATC HHSD
Cynthia Rupprecht	HAND	Rachel Portnoy	APS
Evelyn Cooke	HAND	Jean Teel	Faith in Action Caregivers
Bart Farar	MOWAM	Joyce Hefner	Family Eldercare
Annette Saenz	SafePlace	Juli Earley	Family Eldercare Intern
Christian Wells	Alz Assoc	Nicole Mectzer	Family Eldercare Intern
Michael Wilson	SDCHF		
Mary Dodd	CAN		
Annette Juba	Greater Austin CARES		
Jacquelyn Dozier	Samaritan Counseling		
Korey Darling	Travis Co. HHS&VS		
Jeff Kaller	AGE		
Rachel Daniel	UWCA		
Katy Kappel	TSHL		
Eva Church	AGE/CRC		

Items covered:

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of Minutes: - Joyce L. motioned for approval of Minutes from August, Joyce H. second, approved.
3. Officer Election: - Annette Juba has been nominated for Co-chair for 2009-2010. Joyce L. is cycling off. Korey moved to nominate Annette, Willie second, approved.
4. Bylaw Revision: - ASC Letters of Support: Joyce L. moved to adapt bylaws to include Letters of Support revision, Katy second, approved.
5. Status Update for 2008: -
 - Handyman: Intended to be a pilot funded by an innovation grant from SDCHF and will contract with a specific contractor for the work. Joyce L. will put together a meeting. Mary D. stated that 211 should be involved.
 - E-newsletter: Joyce H. stated that the main idea is that it communicates issues across Central Texas and gets the information to peoples’ attention. Joyce L. stated that it would also cut down on repetition of information and that the assistant position will include more hours to work on the project.

6. Planning for 2009: - Would be useful to have the survey results before looking into 2009. Michael stated that the results have come back and that he hopes to have the information to present at the December meeting. Willie stated that the city is waiting for the survey results and a new FAQ in order to move forward with the RFA process. Joyce L. notes that the projects for 2009 need leaders. Mary D. suggested that the ASC could put together some indicators/goals for the group and the community; we can look at what we need to track. Joyce L. stated that would be a good project for 2009.

- Katy K. suggested the council could have someone talk to the group regarding lobbying. Could use the email list to inform people of issues.
- Rachel D. stated that United Way is trying to help build momentum in the community toward older adults and their needs.
- Senior Day will be in February, see if ASC is interested.
- Joyce H. suggested that the council could have a planning meeting in order to decide how to divide up the council work/tasks. Willie asked if January 8th would work for a planning session. Joyce L. motioned for a planning meeting on January 8th, Jean second, approved.

7. Old/New Business:

- Jean: Ministry conference on September 9th was a huge success, thanks to SDCHF.
- The next Steering Committee meeting will be held October 13th.
- Joyce L.: The Striking A Balance conference was a huge success, the caregivers loved it, and attendance was about 110.
- Joyce L.: Last January's request to the city was to support caregiver training where Family Eldercare would be the fiduciary agent. Both FE and AGE did some caregiver activities, and about \$30k came through. ASC members were limited due to a very tight timeline.

8. Announcements:

- Joyce H.: Mind Alert Workshop handout. Registration is set up on Family Eldercare's website. November 14th @ Lyon's Garden.
- Jackie: Samaritan Counseling has a grant to support seniors with depression by providing counseling for free in-home.

9. Next Meeting: December 4th at 8:30am. Location: St. David's Foundation.