

# Allegan County Commission On Aging



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## COMMISSION ON AGING MEETING – MINUTES

Tuesday, April 20, 2010 – 1:30 p.m.  
Spartan Room – Human Services Building  
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**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order by Chairperson, **Don Black** at 1:35 p.m.

**PLANNING SESSION: 1:30-2:45 p.m.**

**CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:** Members present: Don Black, Terry Burns, Sally Brooks, Doris Hawkey, Sara Miller, Eleanor Nielsen, Patricia Pera, Trino Perez, Paul Visscher, George Waden.

2 guests: Jim & Bertha Tew

Absent: Naomi Whetzel

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** February 16, 2010 – **Patricia Pera** moved and **Doris Hawkey** seconded. **All voted yes – passed.**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** **Bertha** and **Jim Tew** introduced themselves during the planning session.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** **Eleanor Nielsen** moved and **Doris Hawkey** seconded to approve the agenda as presented. **All voted yes – passed.**

**INTRODUCTIONS:** New members, **Paul Visscher** and **George Waden** were made by **Don Black** during the planning session.

**PRESENTATIONS:** Presentation on services by **Rebekah Walton.**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** **Sherry Torres** presented her report which was included in the prepared packet.

### **DISCUSSION:**

1. **David Vanderovaart** (Finance Director) explained the fund balance and was available for questions concerning the millage and fund balance.
2. Committee Reports: Since none of the committees have met as of yet, Sherry Torres will contact each group and set dates and times for meetings prior to next month's meeting.
  - Millage Renewal – Eleanor Nielsen reported that work had been done to prepare the ballot language, and she passed out the final version of the language that has been approved by Administration as well as the Attorney.
3. Transportation Update – Sherry Torres stated that progress had been made towards the solution for Volunteer Transportation with ACRDC. A unit will reflect one mile instead of one trip. Additionally,

### Mission Statement

"Dedicated to serving Allegan County seniors by developing and coordinating services that support their independence, maintain their dignity, and preserve their quality of life"



**Motion passed.**

4. Motion to allow service providers to present once a year rather than twice a year.

**Sally Brooks** moved and **Doris Hawkey** seconded.

**All voted yes – motion passed.**

5. Proclamation to declare May Older American’s month in Allegan County.

**Eleanor Nielsen** moved and **Pat Pera** seconded.

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|--------------|---|-------|--------|--------|---------|------|-------|----------|-------|---------|
| Date:        | 4/20/2010   |       |        |        |         |      |       |          |       |         |
| Subject:     | Older American’s month  |       |        |        |         |      |       |          |       |         |
| Moved by:    | Eleanor Nielsen   |       |        |        |         |      |       |          |       |         |
| Seconded by: | Pat Pera  |       |        |        |         |      |       |          |       |         |
| Motion:      | Proclamation to declare May Older American’s month in Allegan County. |       |        |        |         |      |       |          |       |         |
| Black        | Brooks  | Burns | Hawkey | Miller | Nielsen | Pera | Perez | Visscher | Waden | Whetzel |
| Y            | Y   | Y     | Y      | Y      | Y       | Y    | Y     | Y        | Y     | Absent  |

**Motion passed.**

6. Motion to approve Senior unmet needs funds.

**Sally Brooks** moved and **Doris Hawkey** seconded.

**All voted yes - motion passed.**

7. Motion to allow service providers to present once a year rather than twice a year.

**Eleanor Nielsen** moved and **George Waden** seconded.

**All voted yes – motion passed.**

**REPORTS/MISC:**

1. Outreach Report
2. I & R Log – increased calls for February and March
3. COA Action Items Log
4. Financials – graphs now in color
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Report

- 2008-2009 Combined Annual Report
5. Story – actual letter from a senior

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved by **Trino Perez** and seconded by **Doris Hawkey** to adjourn. **All voted yes – motion passed.** Meeting adjourned by Chairperson **Don Black** at 4:40 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** May 18, 2010, 1:30 p.m. Spartan Room – Human Services Building.

Respectfully Submitted: Tammy Chapin