

Allegan County Commission On Aging



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Chairperson: Don Black
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COMMISSION ON AGING MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 20, 2010 – 1:30 p.m.

Lee Township Hall

877 – 56th Street, Pullman, MI

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CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Chairperson, **Don Black** at 1:30 p.m.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 2010: **Eleanor Nielsen** moved and **Doris Hawkey** seconded. **All voted yes – motion carried.**

INTRODUCTIONS

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:

Members present: Don Black, Terry Burns, Sally Brooks, Doris Hawkey, Eleanor Nielsen, Pat Pera, Trinidad Perez, Paul Visscher and George Waden.

Members absent: Sara Miller and Naomi Whetzel.

4 guests present

Motion to suspend the rules to allow our guests to participate in our business discussion: **Pat Pera** moved and **George Waden** seconded.

All voted yes – motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: **Sherry Torres** presented her director's report which was included in the prepared packet. Sherry explained that our First Annual Speak Up - Speak Out event was a success! Sherry has been working on the 2011 budget with plans for a 4% reduction. Donations are averaging \$700-\$800 per month and Sherry has arranged to use these funds to offset the reduction amounts for Alliance and Evergreen Commons contracts. Sherry is also looking at where she can cut costs for supplies and marketing items. Provider assessments started last month and all is going well. The 400 Senior Millage signs have been completely disbursed.

DISCUSSION:

- **Eleanor Nielsen** displayed the 3 Chair Exercises as outlined by AAA.
- Assessments – **Sherry Torres** stated that Alliance and Evergreen Commons are complete.
- New Website launched – www.allegancountycoa.org
 1. **Don Black** commented that he would like all COA members to review the website and give feedback at next month's meeting. This will be on the agenda for the August meeting.
- Millage Renewal - report presented by **Eleanor Nielsen**. **Eleanor** explained that we have fallen short on **Senior Millage Campaign** and we currently have \$766.01 in the treasury and the signs alone cost \$800.00. The promise of a \$500 donation never materialized from a local company. **Eleanor** also explained that the **Senior Millage** is a **renewal** only.

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"

- Victory Party – planned for August 4, 2010 at Wings of Hope Hospice in Allegan from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Please bring a snack to share.

ACTION:

1. Casco Volunteer Transportation Contract

Date:	July 20, 2010									
Subject:	Casco Volunteer Transportation Contract									
Moved:	Terry Burns									
Second:	Eleanor Nielsen									
Motion:	Approval of the Volunteer Transportation contract for Casco.									
Black	Brooks	Burns	Hawkey	Miller	Nielsen	Pera	Perez	Visscher	Waden	Whetzel
Y	Y	Y	Y	Absent	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Absent

2. **Motion to change the date for the August COA meeting to August 24th, 2010.**

Doris Hawkey moved and **Trino Perez** seconded.

All voted yes – motion carried.

REPORTS/MISC:

1. Outreach Report
2. I & R Log
3. COA Action Items Log
4. Financials
5. Quality Surveys

ROUND TABLE

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by **Pat Pera** and seconded by **Trino Perez**. **All voted yes – motion carried.** Meeting adjourned by Chairperson **Don Black** at 2:40 p.m.

Tour of new township building (former Pullman Congregational Church).

NEXT MEETING: August 24, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. - Spartan Room – Human Services Building.

Respectfully Submitted: Tammy Chapin, Senior Services Secretary