



Shawnee County Advocacy Council on Aging

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June 2, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Location: Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging

Members Present:

John Tarlton, Chairman

Betty Ott, Vice-Chair

Tony Augusto, Secretary

Nina Skidmore, Joann Mzhickteno, Jim Snyder, Don Moses, Nancy Kirk, Billy Ott, Georgia Sandlin, John Homlish, Marg Archer, Shirley Dinkel, Sally Henry, Nancy Kirk, and Nancy Irwin

Members Absent: Esmond Alleyne, Robert Harvey, Janet Watkins,

Others Present: Jocelyn Lyons, Nancy Johnson, Jane Metzger, Julie Tucker, Dee Piland, Deb Norton and Sylvia Hopper.

Roll Call

John Tarlton called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m.

Approval of Minutes:

The May 5th minutes were motioned for approval by Shirley Dinkel, 2nd by Don Moses; all were in favor and Minutes were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

No reports.

LIAISON REPORTS

Betty Ott gave report on the East Topeka Senior Center. Betty expressed the concerns of the Center. The main concern was the quality of the food being served. The center reports were all current due in part to the new computer programs being initiated by the new Director. Betty expressed all in all that things were better at the center. Discussion followed. Praise was given to the Director, Nancy Irwin. It was moved by Joann Mzhickteno, 2nd by Shirley Dinkel, to accept the report. The report was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Studies Report:

Jocelyn Lyons gave the report. Chairman Alleyne could not be present. Meetings with the County Commissioners are forthcoming. Several letters had been sent out to various agencies and corporations to try to locate funds for the transportation project. So far the funding requests



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have not resulted in gaining any funds. Discussion followed. John Homlish indicated the request to Community Action was a matter of timing with the Stimulus Funds. The window has closed. Committee reports are now being reviewed by the County Commissioners. Meetings with the Commissioners are to take place in the near future. A Question was brought up as to the status of Council Member Esmond Alleyne who has become a member of the Community Resources Council. It was pointed out that this was against the rules, according to the by-laws. Discussion followed, Nancy Johnson pointed out that was inadvertently done. She will approach Mr. Alleyne and explain to him that he cannot be on both councils. The SCACA Bylaws do not allow him being a board member of the Community Resources Council. Discussion followed as to what is acceptable according to the bylaws.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

SPECIAL REPORTS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jane Metzger gave a report on what is being done by Meals On Wheels with their contractor. Jane indicated that after many meetings with the contractor, Chartwells, things are improving. New initiatives have been set in to assure that the final product is acceptable. She indicated that several surveys are to be sent out to assure Meals on Wheels that the community is getting a quality product. Chairman Tarlton thanked Jane for her report. Jane and the Council Members discussed what the options might be if things don't work out with the current contractor if not performed.

Senior Summit- Chairman Tarlton and V-Chair Betty Ott attended. Information sheets were given to the Council members.

Jocelyn Lyons passed out information about several events that will be taking place in the near future. (ie, Fitness Classes, Seminars, Conferences).

JAAA and Kansas University are working together on a program to benefit the elderly.

Jocelyn assured that JAAA is working hard to bring the most benefits to the elderly as possible. Discussion led by Nancy Kirk as to what else the Council may do to maximize the support and advocacy for our elderly, such as locating quality board members for our agencies.



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Announcements Continued

Sylvia Hopper gave a brief report on the Community Calendar for various events taking place in the community that is available on line at www.crcnet.org.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, July 7, 2010, 9:15am
Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging
2910 SW Topeka Blvd.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tony Augusto
SCACA Secretary