

## SENIOR SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL

### MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 5, 2016

**Present:** Catherine Skiens, Vice Chair; Mark McNabb, Chris Barnes, Doris Lamb, Dewey Konopa, Janet Shinner, Bill Turner, Curtis Miller, Bob Daley and Margaret Wells.

**Guests:** Mitzi Naucler, Dani Marlow, Lee Lazaro, Suzanne Lazaro, Tanya Thompson, Tim Malone, Sandy Potter, Suanne Jackson and Jan Molnar-Fitzgerald.

**Members Absent:** Suzette Boydston, Chair; Bill Hall, Commissioner; Anne Brett, Lee Strandberg, Kimberly Kimball and Fawn Metcalf.

**Staff:** Lisa Bennett, Ann Johnson, Randi Moore, Marci Howard, Mary Kay Fitzmorris and Terri Sharpe.

- 1) Welcome, Introductions, Additions to the Agenda (Catherine Skiens, Vice Chair):
  - Catherine Skiens called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. Introductions were made including guests.
  
- 2) Approval of Minutes:
  - **ACTION: Dewey Konopa moved to approve the SSAC November 3, 2015 minutes. Mark McNabb seconded. Motion carried.**
  
- 3) Membership Application from Suzanne Lazaro (Dewey Konopa, Membership and Nominating Committee Chair):
  - **ACTION: Dewey Konopa made a motion to consider Suzanne Lazaro as a SSAC member and have her application be moved to the COG Board for their consideration. Mark McNabb seconded. Motion carried.**
  
- 4) Information Sharing:
  - Mike Volpe shared that he now has a new van and is very grateful and thankful to all who helped him with this.
  - Curtis Miller shared that he now has officially moved into the COG.
  - Suanne Jackson shared that she has been assigned to be the AAA liaison as well as the ADRC liaison for the area. Suanne helped implement the Options Counseling Program and is excited to be here today.
  - Catherine Skiens shared the article "*The Lund Report*", that reports on the State's Investigation in charges of conflict of interest with the Elders in Action in Multnomah County. Catherine stated that it is part of the Council's job to be aware of what is

happening with Senior and Disability Services. They need to be watchful on how the money is spent and how the services are being provided and if there is any situation that makes anyone uncomfortable then they need to start asking questions.

- Bob Daley shared that there is still room in the Powerful Tools for Caregivers class. The class starts on January 13<sup>th</sup> in Corvallis and there is no charge. Anyone that knows someone that would benefit from the class should contact Bob.
- Lee Lazaro shared the Health and Transportation workshop that took place in December was very successful and well attended. They now have a group working on what the next steps will be in implementing the ideas.
- Executive Director Fred Abousleman, who also attended the workshop, thanked Lee for his support and stated how the workshop provided a review on how important transportation is in the community.
- Lisa Bennett shared that the new Senior and Disability Services Director, Dave Toler, will be starting on Monday. She's not sure of his schedule but she hopes he'll be attending the next Council meeting.
- Lisa reminded everyone that the Area Plan is a five year plan on how Senior and Disability Services provide services in the community. The plan is updated annually but a new plan is written every five years. The current plan is about to expire and the State has just given direction for drawing up the next five year plan. Updates on developing the new plan will be given monthly at the Joint meetings.
- Suanne Jackson will be part of the technical assistance while going through the process of drawing up the plan by providing webinars over the next few months.

#### 5) Adjourn for Lunch/Joint Meeting

- With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.
- The Meeting Minutes were recorded by Terri Sharpe.
- The next meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2016.