

Monroe County Commission on Aging

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Monroe County Commission on Aging Regular Board Meeting Minutes July 11, 2007 Commission on Aging Conference Room

Chairman Martin Kaufman called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Member's present: Noel Dentner, Nancy Hamman, Paul Iacoangeli, Martin Kaufman, John Sledge Jr., Gerald Stone and Loyd Sype.

Member excused: Aleta Jackson and Paul Simonton

Chairman Martin Kaufman led the Pledge of Allegiance and silent prayer.

Approval of the Agenda:

Nancy Hamman motioned to approve the July 11, 2007 agenda as presented. Supported by Loyd Sype.
Motion carried.

Guests Present: Diane Tackett Director Resource Advocacy/Chore/Home Injury Control, Monroe County Opportunity Program, Aaron Simonton, Executive Director, Rhonda Ziethlow, Assistant Director, Christine Croley, HR/Fiscal Director, and Bonnie Weber, Healthy Aging Alliance Director, Board Members Mark Braunlich, Bonnie Finzel-Doster and Josh Sachs, The Monroe Center, Larry VanWasshenova, Director, Monroe County Senior Legal Services, and Floreine Mentel, County Commissioner and Area Agency on Aging 1-B Board of Directors, Barbara Mazur, Executive Director, Frenchtown Senior Center, Gerilyn Powers, Regional Supervisor, Area Agency on Aging 1-B Paul Neitman, Interim Director, Catholic Charities/holly Cross Children Services.

Public Time:

Diane Tackett addressed the Commission regarding the items needed for the JAWS Crew and the cost of those items needed.

Vicky Terrasi addressed the Commission with the cost savings to the ramp program with the use of the JAWS Crew.

Approval of the Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of May 9, 2007

Motion made by Noel Dentner, supported by Paul Iacoangeli to approve the regular commission minutes of May 9, 2007 as corrected. **Motion carried.**

Approval of the Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2007

Motion made by Noel Dentner, supported by Gerald Stone to approve the regular commission minutes of June 20, 2007 as presented. **Motion carried.**

Approval of the Financial Statements:

Ms. Hamad presented the Financial Report. Motion to accept and place on file by Paul Iacoangeli, supported by Gerald Stone. **Motion carried.**

Commission Members Report:

Loyd Sype addressed the full commission regarding on dog scams.

Noel Dentner addressed the full commission regarding State Representative Kathy Angerer's Dundee Summer Program.

Paul Iacoangeli addressed the full commission regarding the Commissioner Fowler's attempt to revoke his appointment on the Commission on Aging board.

Nancy Hamman addressed the full commission regarding the possibility of Bedford combining the Strawberry Festival and Samaria Days.

Correspondence:

The Commission reviewed the list of correspondence.

Directors Report:

Ms. Hamad commented that there is nothing to report at this time.

Unfinished Business:

A. Strategic Planning Committee Report of June 14, 2007:

Paul Iacoangeli reported that the first meeting in July the committee would be discussing the development of the guidelines and customization of the audits by agency.

Mrs. Hamad presented a draft RFP for Counseling for the Committee's review. After some discussion, it was decided to review the RFP further at the July planning meeting.

B. Non-Compliant Reporting Agencies:

Ms. Terrasi reported that all of the Commission on Aging funded agencies are in compliance for the month of May 2007.

C. SERVtracker Software Purchase Discussion:

Ms. Hamad presented a quote from Accessible Solutions for a web-based system to track client data. The initial cost of \$37,455.00 and there after would be \$7,000 per year for twenty users, however the Commissions' staff would be able to generate 500-600 reports resulting in uniform reporting of client data. To find out the cost of licensing, Ms. Hamad will pitch the system to the agencies at the upcoming meeting this Friday to find out how many users on the system each agency would need. The Commission discussed the system and decided to continue to move forward and have Ms. Hamad bring back the agencies feed back and the license cost for the system.

D. Catholic Charities of Monroe County Discussion:

Ms. Hamad reiterated that all client data has been received and that she and Paul Neitman meet to clear up the invoices. Mr. Neitman presented a memo to the Commission to account for the dollars spent in fiscal year 2006. The unit of service was never determined. The Commission reviewed and discussed the information provided by Mr. Neitman and decided to accept the explanation and allow them to present an RFP for Senior Counseling.

Noel Dentner motioned for the Commission on Aging to accept the explanation provided by Mr. Neitman and allow Catholic Charities of Monroe County (under new management) to present an RFP for Senior Counseling, supported by Gerald Stone.

Roll call:

John Sledge – Yes
Martin Kaufman – Yes
Loyd Sype – Yes

Nancy Hamman – Yes
Paul Iacoangeli – Yes

Gerald Stone – Yes
Noel Dentner – Yes

Motion carried.

E. The Monroe Center Healthy Aging Alliance Discussion:

Martin Kaufman recapped the events leading up to the present regarding the Monroe Center pilot program. Several other Commission members offered comments regarding the effectiveness of the pilot program.

Noel Dentner motioned to extend the Healthy Aging Alliance pilot program throughout the remainder of the year. Supported by Loyd Sype.

Roll Call:

Nancy Hamman – No
Paul Iacoangeli – No
John Sledge – No

Gerald Stone – No
Noel Dentner – Yes

Martin Kaufman – No
Loyd Sype – Yes

Motion failed.

F. Counseling RFP Discussion:

Since June of 2006, there had been no service for Senior Counseling. Ms. Hamad presented a draft RFP for Senior Counseling for the remainder of fiscal year 2007. The Commission reviewed the draft and directed Ms. Hamad to move forward and run the RFP.

Motion by Nancy Hamman to approve and run the Senior Counseling RFP draft, supported by Paul Iacoangeli. **Motion carried.**

New Business:

A. DVD Burner Quote/Purchase:

Ms. Hamad presented a DVD Burner quote from Dell at a cost of \$279.00 for the office. The burner is needed to copy the digital voice recordings of meetings.

Loyd Sype motioned to grant the staff’s request to purchase a DVD Burner from Dell at a cost of \$279.00, supported by Noel Dentner.

Roll Call:

Nancy Hamman – Yes
Paul Iacoangeli – Yes
John Sledge – Yes

Gerald Stone – Yes
Noel Dentner – Yes

Martin Kaufman – Yes
Loyd Sype – Yes

Motion carried.

Public Time:

Floreine Mentel announced that the Southeastern Michigan Antique Tractor show would be held July 20, 21, 22, 2007.

Bonnie Finzel-Doster addressed the Commission regarding the inability to speak during the Monroe Center Healthy Aging Alliance Discussion.

Bonnie Weber addressed the Commission regarding the Monroe Center Healthy Aging Alliance services in South County.

Diane Tackett addressed the Commission regarding MCOP’s “Twenty-five Changes Lives” fundraiser to help poverty in Monroe County.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Noel Dentner, supported by Gerald Stone. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 8, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at the Berlin Senior Center, 8000 Swan View Drive, Newport, MI 48166.

Vicky L. Terrasi

Vicky L. Terrasi, Recording Secretary