

Tuesday, July 26, 2016

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Members Present	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Alina Becker, Alliance for Aging* 2. Allan Tavss, Miami-Dade Parks and Recreation* 3. Anjana Morris, Health Council of South Florida 4. Betty Jimenez, Self 5. Bobby Lieberman, It's a Shore Thing 6. Carmen Centeno, MDPLS * 7. David Saltman, FIU 8. George Reklott, Silver Oak HHA 9. Isabel Rovira, VHP, Miami-Dade Age Friendly Initiative 10. Jesica Losada, Alzhiemers Association 11. Johanna Shemesh, Mt Sanai * 12. Leyanee Perez, AHWA 13. Luis Mejer, 24/7 Nursing Care 14. Margie Lee, AARP * 15. Maria Hidalgo, Vitas 16. Marjorie York, Community Action Agency 17. Mary Anne Sherman, FDOH 18. Menachem Smith, Rabbi, United Jewish Generations 19. Natalie Lopez, City of Miami Beach * 20. Nercy Radcliffe, Providence Health 21. Paul Hunt, Self 22. Shannon Kelley, United Way 23. Sophia Reklott, Silver Oak HHA 24. Stephanie De La Piedra, Florida Pace Center * <p style="text-align: center;">All who Participated via Teleconference *</p>	

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Welcome and Introductions	Chair, David Saltman, welcomed everyone and started the meeting at 2:40 PM. Everyone introduced themselves. The meeting was held at the Stephen P. Clark Government Center, 111 NW 1 Street, Suite 29A, Miami, FL 33128.	
Review and Approval of Minutes	The minutes for June, 2016 were reviewed by the committee members. A motion was made by Marjorie York to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Luis Mejer and then unanimously approved by the committee.	
Executive Board Updates	David Saltman reported for the Executive Committee. The future of the Consortium and the Elder Issues Committee was discussed as the election of Chairs will take place this November. He announced that the Nominating Package is available upon request as are a copy of our organization's by-laws and the Consortium Guidelines. There is a plan to build revenue support for Miami Matters. Miami Matters is Community Health Population Data collected and updated by the Health Council of South Florida. We plan to invite a representative from the Health Council of South Florida speak at our September of October meeting.	
Committee Updates	<p>Old Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership to Improve Community Health (PICH) Grant Updates – Chronic Disease with emphasis on Type 2 Diabetes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Green Prescription ○ Smoke-free policies in senior multi-unit housing facilities ○ A Healthy Hub is now open in Liberty City at 7570 NW75 Street. The Health and Wellness Center is open every Monday and Tuesday from 9:00AM-3:00PM. The Clinic provides the community with free health screenings. <p style="text-align: center;">There is one year remaining for the current PICH Grant Programs.</p>	

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	<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David introduced the transportation initiatives the Elder Issues Committee is working on, • Shannon and Marsha met with representatives from Special Transportation System (STS). They discussed common problems consumer report having when using STS such as long wait times, staying in the car for long periods and the rider being left on the doorstep with little or no help. They were directed to the Grievance Process and Marsha attended the Grievance meeting held the 2cnd Tues of the month at 2:00 PM at OvertownTransit Village. Riders were encouraged to make anonymous complaints if they felt disrespected or for any other reason. • Alternate Ways to provide transportation was then discussed. There are 35,000 users in the present system which is underfunded and understaffed. Bobby Lieberman talked about stretch electric golf carts as part of the solution. They are presently being used in Broward County with some success. • Isabel Rovira reported on the Golden Passport. There were approximately 175,000 users in the last 3 months. In addition to Elders, this serves Veterans and disabled individuals. The problems found are that a person has to apply for it in person and it can be difficult to navigate the system. Some solutions were a 3-1-1 Trip planner and a new pamphlet guide. • Trollies or Circulators were briefly discussed as possible Elder Transportation because many pass town boundaries to service hospitals, for example. 	
	<p>Legislative: Anjana Morris reported there will be a vote for all public housing to be smoke-free housing County wide. The MDHD is working on this issue with County Commission.</p>	

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	<p>The Mayor's race will take place on 8/30/16.</p>	
<p>Presentation by Leyanee Perez "Healthy Happens Here"</p>	<p>Leyanee Perez, the chair of the Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Committee discussed the "Healthy Happens Here" initiative. This a very successful PICH initiative where a Registered Dietician assists area restaurants to Offer at least 3 healthy dishes. The dishes have to offer 500 calories or less, low sodium, low cholesterol, low saturated fat and have great taste. The original goal was to sign 75 restaurants, but 82 restaurants have enrolled and the number keeps growing. Ms. Perez passed out menus for some of the participating restaurants. Fully implemented restaurants need to be supported by word of mouth and healthy websites for this program to continue its success. We hope to have chairs of other committees present in the near future.</p>	<p>Thank you Leyanee for your presentation on "Healthy Happens Here".</p>
<p>Member Announcements/ Upcoming Events</p>	<p>Marjorie York announced that there will be a Dade Women's Rights event to be held at Women's Park on 8/20/2016. Celebrating the anniversary of women getting the right to vote.</p> <p>Rabbi Menachem Smith announced that there will be a Bike-a-thon on Grandparents Day, 9/11/16. Elderly people are very important to us. We need to bring honor and respect to our elderly.</p> <p>Shannon spoke about forming the Senior Trust which will be part of a package to be presented to the governor.</p> <p>Isabel Rovira, of the Miami Dade Age Friendly Initiative announced that there will be a Workshop offered on September 7, 2016, September 21, 2016 and September 28, 2016 to discuss Housing, Transportation and Parks and how they relate to the Elderly.</p>	



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	<p>Jesica Losada of the Alzheimers Association announced their Kick off for their Walk to end Alzheimers on November 5, 2016 will be held on August 2, 2016 at 5:30 PM at the Ball and Chain on 8th Street.</p> <p>Natalie Lopez of the City of Miami Beach announced there will be the 5th annual Family Services Day on Saturday, September 24, 2016 at North Shore Park.</p>	
Next Meeting	The next Elder Issues Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 from 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM at the Stephen P. Clark Government Center, 111 NW 1 Street, Suite 29A, Miami FL 33128.	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 PM by Chair David Saltman.	