

Tuesday, April 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. Andrea Sparano, Health Council of South Florida* 4. Betty Jimenez, Miami-Dade County 5. Carmen Centeno, MDPLS* 6. Dacia Steiner, Center 4 Social Change 7. Ileana Shook, Sunrise Community 8. Isabella Rovira, Miami-Dade Age Friendly Initiative and Urban Health Partnership* 9. Luis Collazo, FL Assistive Living* 10. Margie Lee, AARP* 11. Marina Bravo, Citrus Health* 12. Marjorie York, Community Action Agency 13. Mary Anne Sherman, FDOH 14. Michael Pearson, Alzheimer's Association 15. Natalie Lopez, City Of Miami Beach* 16. Ray Hennisery FDOH 17. Shannon Kelley, United Way <p style="text-align: center;">Via Teleconference *</p> <p style="text-align: center;">.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">.</p>	

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<p>Welcome and Introductions</p>	<p>Vice Chair, Betty Jimenez, welcomed everyone and started the meeting at 2:45PM. All present introduced themselves. The meeting was held at the Stephen P. Clark Government Center, 111 NW 1 Street, Suite 29A, Miami, FL 33128</p>	
<p>Review and Approval of minutes</p>	<p>The minutes for March 29, 2016 were reviewed by the committee members. A motion was made by Alina Becker to approve the minutes. It was moved and seconded by Allan Tavss.</p>	
<p>Executive Board Updates</p>	<p>Vice Chair, Betty Jimenez provided Executive Board updates to the committee. The Executive Board will have its next meeting on Monday, June 13, 2016. If anyone has topics to be brought to the Executive Board, see David Saltman.</p>	
<p>Committee Updates</p>	<p>Old Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Partnership to Improve Community Health (PICH) Grant Updates were reviewed by Betty Jimenez. They were: ○ Chronic Disease with emphasis on Type 2 Diabetes ○ Green Prescription ○ Smoke-free policies in senior multi-unit housing facilities <p>Betty Jimenez stated that the FDOH should partner up with the Fire Marshall to enforce fire regulations in ALF's and other senior multi-unit housing. ALF's with 14 beds or less are not required to have sprinklers. There needs to be a uniform code that is not being driven by fire incidents. No smoking 50-100 feet from senior housing and other regulations like it need to be enforced.</p>	

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New Business:

- Betty is to speak to Alice Bravo, the Director of Transportation and Public Works regarding the results of the Elder Mobility Event.
- The group discussed Arcola Lakes Senior Center as an ideal senior center for a senior meals program. This would complement the other programs there such as Ceramics, Sewing, Computers, Water Aerobics and Physical Exercise led by a coach. The facility has a beautiful kitchen that would lend itself to a senior meals program.
- The group then discussed that we cannot rely on Washington to meet the needs of seniors. Baby boomers are aging in large numbers. In fact, 60% of voters are over 60 years of age. Elders must use the power of their vote to ensure that they get the services that they need. For example, funds for Adult Day Care were cut and as a result, private facilities try to meet the needs of this large population. There are long waiting lists and many elders are not getting services.
- Dacia Steiner spoke about writing grants for "Aging in Place.
- A discussion took place regarding the need for Circles of care among the residents of public housing. In this example, families help take care of each other and there is a support Floor Captain assigned to each building.
- We also talked about the United States of aging. There are more people getting older that need services than there are services for them.
- Shannon Kelley talked about The Age friendly Initiative. We also discussed The Mayor's Initiative on Aging and that it is a model of collective input. We can produce deliverables if we work together.

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Member Announcements/ Upcoming Events	<p>.Marjorie York announced there will be Needs Assessments for Alliance for Aging on 6/10/16 from 10:00 AM-12:00PM in the 1st floor Conference Room</p> <p>Shannon Kelley that the Older Adults Trust meeting is held monthly on the 1st Friday of the month. The next meeting will be on May 5, 2016 at the United Way, Coral Gables.</p> <p>May 25th is National Senior Health and Fitness Day.</p>	
Next Meeting	<p>The next Elder Issues Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 28, 2016 from 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM at the Stephen P. Clark Government Center, 111 NW 1 Street, Suite 29A, Miami, FL. 33128.</p>	
Adjournment	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM by Vice Chair, Betty Jimenez.</p>	