

ELDER ISSUES COMMITTEE /
MAYOR'S INITIATIVE ON AGING
 Minutes



Tuesday, November 25, 2014

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION NEEDED
Members Present	Betty Jimenez, Miami-Dade County David Saltman, FIU (Presenter) Elvis Santiago, DCF Janice Drawing, Village of Pinecrest Linda Schotthoefer, United Way of Miami-Dade Maria Hidalgo, VITAS Marjorie York, Community Action Agency Marsha Jenakovich, Alliance for Aging Mayra Garcia, FDOH-MD Natalie Lopez, City of Miami Beach Sandra Colon, CMS, Florida SMP Tony Wagner, DCF	
Welcome and Introductions	The committee liaison, Mayra Garcia, welcomed everyone and started the meeting at 2:32 PM. Everyone introduced themselves. Chairman David Saltman and Vice-Chair Betty Jimenez joined the meeting in progress. 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 October 28, 2014 were reviewed by committee members. A motion was made by Marjorie York to approve the minutes. It was moved and seconded by Natalie Lopez.	
Executive Board and Committee Updates	Executive Board elections were held for Chair and Vice-Chair two-year term beginning in January 2015. Paper ballots were collected and results will be announced at the next meeting. Chairman David Saltman and Vice-Chair Betty Jimenez provided updates to the	

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	<p>committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Florida Legislature will not be in session until January, 2015. • Adult living facilities (ALF's) and adult day care providers are not getting reimbursed from Medicaid for some of their residents for up to 2 years. The committee discussed possible reasons and solutions. Suggestion was made that we could try to get Henry Parra involved to begin advocacy for training efforts with the ALF's and day care providers. David and Betty will talk to Max Rothman to initiate advocacy process. • There is renewed interest in expansion of Medicaid which will impact Florida seniors. • The committee members voted to cancel December's monthly meeting due to the holidays. 	
<p>Presentation on <i>Differential Recognition of Types of Dementia</i> by David Saltman, FIU</p>	<p>David showed and discussed a video entitled, "Clinical Differences Among Four Common Dementia Syndromes" by Thomas Weiss, MD, from the website, MMLearn.org.</p> <p>Dementia is a global term for progressive neurocognitive disorders. The following four types of dementia were discussed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Alzheimer's Dementia (AD) "memory impairment" 2. Vascular Dementia (VD) "plumbing/vascular problem" 3. Lewy Body Dementia (LBD) "motor problem" 4. Frontotemporal Dementia (FTD) "bizarre personality" 	<p>✓Useful website provided: MMLearn.org</p> <p>✓Thank you David for sharing this valuable information and resource with the committee.</p>

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<p>Member Announcements/ Upcoming Events</p>	<p>Marjorie York announced the upcoming events: 1) <i>Imagine Miami</i> on December 16, 2014 at 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM, and 2) <i>Fearless Caregiver Conference</i> on December 3, 2014 at 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM.</p> <p>Betty announced that VITAS Community Liaison Maria Hidalgo recently received the “National Community Woman of the Year” award. The award was presented by the Minority Chamber of Commerce (MCC) in Washington, D.C.. Maria was selected based on her meaningful contributions and tireless efforts to educate South Florida’s diverse community about the benefits of end-of-life care.</p>	<p>✓ Copies of event flyer were made available at the meeting.</p> <p>✓ Congratulations Maria on this wonderful honor!</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>The next Elder Issues Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2015 from 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM at the Stephen P. Clark Government Center, 111 NW 1 Street, Suite 29A, Miami, FL 33128.</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 4:27 PM by David Saltman.</p>	