

**Orange County Commission on Aging
Bi-Monthly Board Meeting – September 10, 2018**

Pine Hills Community Center, 6408 Jennings Road, Orlando FL 32818 * 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

Vision	Create Positive Aging! An elder-friendly community that empowers older adults through choices that allow them to support and maintain their independence within their home community
Purpose	To identify the needs of the senior population and find ways to help by working collaboratively

Members Present

Mr. Gus Martinez, Vice Chairman
Ms. Sandria Foster
Ms. Edith Gendron
Ms. Kinda Haddah (via phone)
Mr. Randy Hunt (via phone)

Members Absent

Ms. Margaret Mularz
Dr. Carmel Munroe
Ms. Randiesa Spires
Mr. Ken Terrell

Others Present

Ms. Princessa Long, Intern, Office on Aging
Ms. Mimi Reggentin, Office on Aging

Meeting Notes

- Mr. Martinez opened the meeting at 8:45 a.m. and welcomed everyone. He noted that a quorum was not present.

Consent Agenda

- The consent agenda was not reviewed since there was no quorum.

Community Partnerships Committee Update

- Ms. Gendron summarized the September 7th meeting of the Community Partnerships Committee. John Hazelroth, JPH & Associates, and Nancy Sharifi, Orange County, Housing and Community Development provided an update on affordable housing. Ms. Gendron stated that many of the federal programs for affordable housing have been discontinued. As a result, the task of responding to affordable housing issues is falling on local governments.

The Committee also selected the speakers for the spring 2019 series of the LIFE Information for Elders program.

Senior Resource Alliance Update

- Mr. Hunt stated that since it was an election year, there is nothing new to report at the state level. Once the new governor takes office in January, state offices will begin developing their budget proposals. The Area Agencies on Aging will continue to ask for additional funding for Community Care for the Elderly, Aging and Disability Resource Centers and Alzheimer's Disease Initiative programs. At the Senior Resource Center, the search process for a new Executive Director will begin in January since Mr. Hunt is slated to retire in August.

City of Orlando Mayor's Committee on Aging

- No report was given.

Commission on Aging Status Update

- Mr. Martinez and Ms. Reggentin reviewed the January – June status update of the Commission on Aging. Mr. Martinez noted the Commission on Aging has not had a quorum since their January meeting. He also noted that attendance was up at the LIFE Information for Elders seminar series.

New Business / Open Discussion

- Meeting date and time
 - The Board discussed the lack of quorum and the possibility of moving the regularly scheduled Board meetings to a different date and time. After discussion, the Board asked staff to contact Board members to check on their availability for alternative dates. It was agreed that any change in schedule would be finalized at the November meeting and would take effect in January 2019.

Public Comments

- Mr. Martinez stated the Thanksgiving Day festival offered by Miles of Help Through Christ is scheduled for November 17. The Praise and Worship event that was tentative slated for September has been rescheduled for March. This event will be at Festival Park in Orlando and is open to the general public.
- The meeting ended at 9:30 p.m.

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