Orange County Commission on Aging Bi-Monthly Board Meeting – March 12, 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. Crockett Bohannon, Chairman

Mr. Gus Martinez, Vice Chairman

Ms. Sandria Foster

Dr. Carmel Munroe

Mr. Lee Watson

Members Absent

Ms. Edith Gendron

Ms. Kinda Haddah

Mr. Randy Hunt

Ms. Aquasia Johnson McDowell

Ms. Randiesa Spires

Mr. Ken Terrell

Others Present

Ms. Mimi Reggentin, Office on Aging

Ms. Kimberly Newton, Elder Ambassador

Meeting Notes

• Mr. Bohannon opened the meeting 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

• No report was given.

Senior Resource Alliance Update

• No report was given.

City of Orlando Mayor's Committee on Aging

• No report was given.

Commission on Aging Status Update

• No report was given.

Discussion with Faith Leaders

• No faith leaders were present.

New Business / Open Discussion

- The Board expressed their concerns regarding the lack of quorum and attendance records. The Board requested that staff contact Agenda Development to determine if members with high rates of absenteeism will be removed from the Board.
- The Board discussed the idea of changing the date and time of the meetings. No action was taken since a quorum was not present.
- Dr. Munroe and Ms. Foster arrived at 8:50 a.m.
- The Board discussed expanding the Elder Ambassador quarterly trainings to include invitations to faith leaders. Ms. Reggentin stated that members of four churches had attended the March 9 training. There was discussion on how to reach out to the faith community and invite them to future Elder Ambassador trainings.
- Ms. Newton arrived at 9 a.m. Ms. Newton expressed strong support for the Elder Ambassador program and the quarterly trainings that are continuing to be offered.
- The Board discussed the advocacy role of the Commission on Aging. Several members expressed concern that the Board should actively educate local politicians and residents about the growing needs of Central Florida elders. Staff indicated they would reach out to Agenda Development for direction.
- The Board re-discussed the lack of a quorum. Staff was asked to reach out to absent Board members to determine the reason for their absence.
- Mr. Bohannon stated his term will end on June 30 and, because he has served two full terms, he cannot be reappointed to the Commission on Aging. If his open slot has not been filled by July, Mr. Bohannon stated he would attend that meeting and preside over the meeting until the election of a new chairman is completed.

Public Comments

• There were no public comments.

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