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Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County

Minutes of Meeting

September 21, 2015

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County was held on Monday, September 21, 2015, at the Sussex County Administrative Offices West Complex, 22215 North DuPont Boulevard, Georgetown, Delaware. The following members were present:

Sally Beaumont
Ruth Ann Beideman
Michelle Griffith (nonvoting member)
Jamie Magee
Penny Orndorff
Scott Phillips

Larry Savage
Francine Shockley
Anna Short
Fran Smith
Helen Smith

Call to Order

Ruth Ann Beideman, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed everyone on behalf of the Committee.

Approval of Agenda

A Motion was made and seconded to approve the Agenda as posted. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Approval of Minutes

A Motion was made and seconded to approve the bimonthly meeting minutes of July 20th, as distributed. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

A Motion was made and seconded to approve the Conference Planning Subcommittee meeting minutes of July 20th and August 19th, as distributed. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Committee Member Janice Moseley

It is with sadness that Sally Beaumont advised that Janice Moseley, recently appointed member of the Advisory Committee (replacing her husband James Moseley), passed away on August 27th. A service will be held on September 27, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. at the Improved Order of Red Men's Hall, 17451 Nassau Commons Boulevard, Lewes, Delaware.

New Business

A suggestion has been made to change the order in which informational emails are distributed by the Advisory Committee. It was agreed that future requests for emails to be circulated to the Committee's contact list are to be sent to the Chairperson first. If the Chairperson agrees with forwarding the information, the emails will be sent to the County Administration office for disseminating to the contact list.

Scott Phillips inquired if the County has a repository for important information to be shared with the public via the website. This matter will be discussed with Chip Guy, Sussex County Communications Director.

Guest Speaker

Scott Phillips introduced Michael Erixson, Emergency Operations Coordinator, Division of Developmental Disabilities Services, Delaware Health and Social Services, who was invited to speak on "*Emergency Preparedness Efforts, Tips and Best Practices in Developing Your Own Emergency Plans.*" Mr. Erixson gave a very informative presentation regarding the importance of planning in the event of a disaster. Key points of his presentation included the following:

Starting Your Plan	Communication
Evacuation or Shelter-in-Place	Emergency Information/Notebook
Meeting/Relocation Sites	Supplies
How do I get there?	Support Resources

Mr. Erixson also encouraged everyone to sign up at www.Smart911.com. This resource is a way to create a personal safety profile which would be available to first responders should the need arise. Individual information, as well as information regarding family members, home, pets, and even vehicles, will automatically display on the 9-1-1 screen of call-takers when an emergency call is made.

Questions were raised as to shelters available in the State. Mr. Erixson stated that opening of shelters is dependent upon the location of the emergency or disaster. It was stressed that if anyone needs to go to a shelter, they should be prepared to take necessary items with them, including a care-taker if needed, as skilled care is not provided at the shelters.

Public Comment

- Anthony DelFranco, CHEER – Senior Beach Day will be held on Friday, September 25th, at the Rehoboth Beach Convention Center.

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- Barbie McDaniel, Delaware Hospice – “Battle of the Bartenders” fundraiser will be held at Bethany Blues [September 23rd] in Rehoboth Beach, with 100 percent of the bartenders’ tips and 20 percent of orders going to Delaware Hospice.
- Barbara Spray, volunteer assistant to Ruth Ann Beideman, and intern Stephanie Tucker were introduced from the Milford Senior Center.
- Jamie Magee – Alzheimer’s Conference will be held in Rehoboth Beach on October 3rd.
- Anna Short – Division of Public Health is offering flu shots at the Thurman Adams State Service Center in Georgetown on October 5th from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Additional Business

- It was recommended that the Advisory Committee develop a Facebook page whereby the public could access information regarding the Committee, as well as upcoming meetings and events – Scott Phillips will contact Chip Guy.
- Discussion took place regarding the day and time of regularly scheduled Advisory Committee meetings. This item will be placed on the agenda for further discussion at the November meeting.
- Scott Phillips advised that the guest speaker for the meeting in November will be Brandy Nauman, Sussex County Fair Housing Compliance Officer, who will present information relative to housing and fair housing coordination. She will outline programs and resources, and provide an update of the impact study on the community by HUD. A representative of HUD will also attend the meeting.

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Advisory Committee will be held on Monday, November 16, 2015, at 10:00 a.m., at the Milton CHEER Center, 24855 Broadkill Road, Milton, Delaware. Lunch will be available for \$3.00 per person. Following lunch, there will be a wrap-up of the **LIVE Conference**.

Adjourn

A Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion Adopted by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Orndorff, Secretary
Advisory Committee on Aging & Adults
with Physical Disabilities for Sussex County