

Senior Millage Allocation Committee
August 6, 2010 8:00 a.m.
Calhoun County Building-Marshall
Lower Level Conference Room

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 a.m. by Chairperson Lisa Gerow.

Members Present: Arlene Bolton, Julie Camp, Tiana Cannon, Lisa Gerow, Viola Johnson, Joanne Konkle, Rebecca Rocho, Shirley Clutter, Ralph Moore

Members not Present: Rod Auton, Jill Booth, Jennie Hoffmann, Eusebio Solis,

Staff Present: Carl Gibson, Rodna Stealy, Leslie Obrig, Richard Lindsey, Amy Kirkwood

Guests: none

Approval of the Agenda:

Commissioner Gerow stated she wanted to explain that the approval for new members had been removed from the Board of Commissioners Agenda at the on hold due to procedure not being followed regarding new members.

Johnson made a motion to approve the Agenda, Konkle supported. ***Motion Carried.***

Approval of July 2, 2010 Minutes

Commissioner Rocho made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 2, 2010 meeting. Commissioner Camp supported the motion. ***Motion Carried.***

Consent Agenda

Bolton made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Cannon supported the motion. ***Motion Carried.***

Discussion Items/Old Business:

Introduction of all in attendance.

Gibson discussed the specific forms of media used to advertise Senior Millage funded services and wanted to see how many attendees saw the advertisements to ensure that the money spent was well worth it. These mediums included: Senior Times, Scene Magazine & access channel, Marshall Impact TV, Advisor, Shopper, Enquirer, Homer Index, Albion

Reader, Morning Star, E-News, WBCK/WBXX. All were seen by at least one person in attendance. Most were seen by the majority of the committee.

Discussion was held regarding call volumes for services after advertisement. Commissioner Rocho suggested that programs ask where individuals learned of that program. Commissioner Camp thanked Gibson for his thoroughness throughout the campaign.

Director's Report

Gibson reminded the members that paper will be provided for printing of reports. If members would like paper come to the Senior Service Office.

Gibson discussed 2011 Funding Priorities. Demand for the Prescription Voucher has decreased dramatically due to Medicare Part D. Discussion was held regarding reformation of the program. Commissioner Camp inquired about the future of the hearing aid program. Gibson explained that it may be drastically reduced or completely eliminated due to high cost per person, resulting in very few people being helped yearly. Gibson expressed that there have been many more inquiries for accessibility ramps than hearing aids recently.

SMAC Chairperson Bylaws Report

Commissioner Gerow reported that Bolton resigned as chair of the Governance Committee and thanked her for her service as chair.

Commissioner Gerow reported the Governance Committee met July 20th to discuss bylaw change proposal.

First Change: Article VI

Change "will" to "may" in regard to sending out letters for absences. Commissioner Camp made a motion to open amendment for discussion and vote. Konkle supported the motion.

Discussion was held about absences being excused. Bolton read from the bylaws that in case of a known absence "...member shall notify the office." Johnson brought up that serving on subcommittees is a time consuming task and too much emphasis is put on attending the main committee meeting without thought to the time put in for sub-committees.

Commissioner Camp agrees with the change from "will" to "may" because it helps the chair stay in agreement with the rest of the committees feelings.

In favor: Bolton, Commissioner Camp, Cannon, Commissioner Gerow, Konkle, Commissioner Rocho, Clutter, Moore

Opposed: Johnson

Motion Carries.

Second Change: Article VII

Sub-Committees must give written notice two weeks prior in regard to change of by-laws.

Konkle made a motion to table the amendment. Commissioner Camp supported the motion.

Motion Carries.

Third Change: Article XI

Proposal to address by-laws every other year on odd numbered years and to address protocol every other year on even numbered years. Commissioner Camp made a motion to table the discussion of Article XI. Konkle supported the motion. **Motion Carries.** Commissioner Gerow and Commissioner Rocho opposed.

Fourth Change: Article IV

Proposal by Commissioner Rocho to refer to the Senior Millage Allocation Committee as non-partisan. Commissioner Camp asked if it would be possible to change the wording to bi-partisan instead. Commissioner Rocho agreed with using the word "bi-partisan". Commissioner Rocho made a motion to discuss and vote on calling SMAC bi-partisan. Commissioner Gerow supported the motion.

Johnson says it is a good thing to identify that SMAC is bi-partisan. Moore stated that when elected officials speak, it does become political whether that was the intention or not.

In Favor: Commissioner Gerow, Johnson, Commissioner Rocho, Clutter, Moore

Opposed: Commissioner Camp, Konkle

Abstain: Bolton, Cannon

Motion Carries.

Governance Committee Duties

Commissioner Gerow proposed to remove the duty from the Governance Committee to ensure meetings are run well because that is a duty of the chairperson. Commissioner Gerow wanted to add the duty of reviewing by-laws and making recommendations. Commissioner Rocho made a motion to approve. No Support. **Motion not entertained.**

RFP Panel Review

Obrig gave background information on RFP. It is Board Policy 405, RFP 103-10 and was issued July 21, 2010 for bids for services in the year 2011. On average 45 organizations review the RFP. August 2, 2010 questions were submitted by potential service providers, these questions were answered August 4, 2010. RFP's are due August 25, 2010 at 3:00p.m. Copies of each proposal are presented to the RFP Sub-Committee, which includes Hoffmann, Commissioner Camp, Booth, Konkle, and Johnson. The copies are also given to Gibson and Purchasing for review and recommendation to committee as a whole. The proposals then go to the Board of Commissioners for final approval. Gibson stated that the RFP committee can regulate panels and Bidders have the right to appeal. Six month outcome reports are now required instead of use of the Logic Model.

Discussion held regarding service providers. Konkle questioned if there is an evaluation currently to ensure the funding money is being used effectively. Gibson explained that Rodna Stealy has been doing Program Assessments in conjunction with Area Agency on Aging and that these assessments have not revealed any problems regarding effective use of funds. There are still several agencies to be assessed. Gibson expects new bidders for 2011 RFP.

New Business:

Report on Funding Distribution

Gibson provided budget projections for 2011.

Citizens Comments

Bolton announced that Konkle will be a mentor for Cannon in these meetings and suggested that older members be paired with new ones to answer any questions they have.

Announcements

Calhoun County Fair is on August 18, 2010.

Springfield Health Fair is September 25, 2010.

Zion Lutheran-Marshall-Presentation in the Fall

Adjournment: 9:29 a.m.

Next Meeting: September 3, 2010 at 8:00a.m.