

M4A Board Minutes
July 22, 2010
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Board Members in Attendance: Mr. Richard Lovelady, Ms. Gaye West, Ms. Lee Ann Clark, Mr. Gene Ford, Commissioner Acker, Mr. Earl Cunningham, Mr. Reggie Holloway and Reverend Glen Bynum.

Staff Members in Attendance: Carolyn Fortner, Dianne Nance and Kelly Flick

- A. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lovelady at 9:40 a.m. Reverend Bynum provided the invocation. Mr. Holloway provided the recommendations from the nominating committee on behalf of Mr. Chris Green, who could not attend the Board meeting.
- B. The agenda was approved first by Mr. Cunningham and seconded by Rev. Bynum. All were in favor, no one was opposed.
- C. The minutes were approved first by Commissioner Acker and seconded by Mr. Holloway. All were in favor, no one was opposed. Mr. Cunningham ^{abstaining} ~~sustained~~ from voting because he was not present at the last meeting.
- D. Carolyn shared with the board that she met with Commissioner Roberts of St. Clair County Commission and he sent his regards to the board.

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1) ADSS News

- i. Carolyn reported that meal prices would be increasing by 1.5%. This is a tentative prediction provided by ADSS at a recent nutrition coordinators' meeting.
- ii. Carolyn reported that ADSS is unsure how it will disburse the newly allocated 'meals on wheels' funds that the State appropriated for FY 2011.
- iii. Carolyn explained how SenioRx is funded presently and how in the next FY AAA's would be given a set amount initially with more pending program accomplishments; hence funds in FY 2011 will be disbursed on a competitive basis.
- iv. Carolyn reported that the SHIP/SMP program would be receiving level funding in FY 2011 to support one full time person. She explained how the majority of calls to the agency are to SHIP and SenioRx. Kelly added that the SHIP program would be receiving funds for 1 full time and 1 part time AmeriCorps member starting October 1, 2010.

2) FY 2011 Contracts & Funding Requests

- i. Carolyn reported that all contracts have been sent.
- ii. Carolyn reported that all Alabama Cares and Medicaid Waiver contracts have been sent.
- iii. Carolyn reported that all county requests for funds have been sent.

3) Aging & Disability Resource Centers

- i. Carolyn informed the Board that there are ADRCs located in each county – Walker, Chilton and Shelby are located in hospitals. Blount and St. Clair are located outside of hospitals.
 - ii. She also explained that because of the time constraints of ADRC representatives and the low demand for services, the ADRCs will move from being open 4 days/month to 2 days/month.
 - iii. Carolyn explained that all ADRC appointments are scheduled ahead of time.
 - iv. Carolyn explained that year two of the ADRC would include implementing an intervention program in partnership with hospital discharge planners.
 - 4) Farmers Market Vouchers: Because of several complaints, M4A is re-working the plan for distribution of vouchers. Once a plan is developed, with assistance from the State FMA, it will be presented to the Board for review and approval. Carolyn emphasized that we are not in danger of losing vouchers, but that we must make adjustments to comply with the State FMA.
 - 5) 4-Year Area Plan: Carolyn stated that everyone was given a copy of the 4- year plan (black binder). Copies will be provided to the mayors and commissioners who attend the mayors' meetings in July and August. M4A is conducting Mayors meetings. Chilton and Shelby have been completed. St. Clair, Blount and Walker will be held the first week in August 2010.
- E. Kelly Flick provided the board with printed report of program notes. The report included waiting list numbers, grants and media campaigns in addition to other program specific highlights. She told the board about the upcoming Center Managers Retreat and the wonderful opportunities the 4-H center in Columbiana offered. Brief discussion ensued about having a Board retreat there as well that would correspond with the Center Managers' Retreat.
- F. Dianne Nance provided the board with copies of the audit which Aldridge Borden completed. She stated that there was one finding. This one finding plus the finding from FY 2008 have both been corrected. Aldridge Borden will be present at the next board meeting to present the findings.
- G. Old Business
 - 1) Mr. Holloway reported to the board that the nominating committee unanimously agreed to retain the current board officers. This recommendation was placed in the form of a motion and seconded by Mr. Cunningham.
 - 2) The floor was opened for other nominations; no nominations were made from the floor. The motion to have the current officers succeed themselves was unanimously approved. The chairman will be Mr. Lovelady; the vice chairman will be Rev. Bynum; and the Secretary/Treasurer will be Commissioner Acker.
- H. New Business: Mr. Gene Ford stated that the vegetables arriving by Valley Foods to the senior centers in St. Clair are water only, no vegetables. Carolyn encouraged Mr. Ford to have the center managers note this on their meal ticket. Kelly told Mr. Ford that she would relay this to Debbie Battles, M4A nutrition coordinator to investigate and report to ADSS. Mr. Ford also stated that at least once a week one senior center does not serve the delivered meals because of the quality. Kelly recommended that Mr. Ford encourage the center manager to review the

calendar of meals and have her order unassembled picnic lunches on that day. The cost is no greater than that of a hot meal and most of the participants will eat this meal.

- I. A motion to adjourn was made at 11:00 a.m. first by Mr. Cunningham and seconded by Mr. Holloway. All were in favor, no one was opposed.



Mr. Richard Lovelady, MMA Board Chairman