## Middle Alabama Area Agency on Aging (M4A) Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 16, 2013

In attendance: Mr. Richard Lovelady, Mr. Red Turnipseed, Mr. Dan Acker, Rev. Glenn Bynum, Mr. Reggie Holloway, Ms. Sandra Sivley (proxy for Judge Chris Green), Ms. Doris Jones, Ms. Carolyn Fortner, Ms. Debbie Battles, Ms. Aileen Hill, and Ms. Crystal Crim.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Lovelady at 10:12am. Rev. Glenn Bynum provided the prayer. A quorum was determined with Ms. Sivley as the proxy for Judge Chris Green.

- A. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Acker and seconded by Rev. Bynum. All others were in favor, no one opposed.
- B. A motion to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2013 Board meeting was made by Mr. Acker and seconded by Mr. Turnipseed. Seven were in favor, no one opposed, and Mr. Holloway abstained.
- C. Executive Director's Report by Carolyn Fortner
  - Discussed a security issue at M4A that involved a SCSEP participant making a
    threat to harm a host agency. M4A went into its lockdown protocol for safety
    concerns. M4A contacted Calera Police Department and was advised that they
    would provide additional patrol of the building. A photo and details of the client
    were posted in the agency and at the Calera Senior Center.
  - 2. Discussed sequestration and the Older American's Act services, as well as how the shutdown may impact M4A. At this time, no changes have been made. ADSS has not provided FY 14 budget information yet. A handout was given that noted a potential effect on the Nutrition program. Staff received an information sheet summarizing the potential of sequestration on HHS, ACL, VA, and Senior Services. M4A may be able to move funds, if needed, to operate meals into November if sequestration continues.
  - 3. Updated the Board on the Area Operating Plan and budget. As of today, ADSS has not provided a budget information for FY 14.
  - 4. Discussed M4A's Retirement Obligation. M4A received a letter from ARSEA at the previous Board Meeting, which detailed that a former employee was eligible for a \$25.00 increase in their COLA benefit.
  - M4A received a letter form RSA regarding Actuarial Valuation for October 1,
     2014 through September 30, 2015. The letter shows underfunding for unfunded
     Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL-Retirement). Before the Board is approached as

- to whether or not M4A should increase Tier 1 staff contributions from 5% to 7.5%, Carolyn stated she would like to first discuss the potential change and impact with staff.
- 6. The Board was asked to fill out their annual conflict of interest and evaluation forms and turn them in to M4A. M4A will mail Board members, who are not present, a copy of each form.
- 7. Discussed that Shellie Thomason notified M4A that Shelby County wants the Board Chairman to sign the county agreement with Shelby County.
- D. Debbie Battles presented the status of programs report. A copy of the report was given to the Board members. The report showed the total clients assisted in each program from October 2012 through October 2013.
- E. The fiscal report was presented by Aileen Hill. A copy of the financial report for Medicaid Waiver was presented to the Board members. The report identified the Medicaid Waiver cost per client.
- F. Old Business: Letter from ARSEA
  - A motion was made by Mr. Turnipseed to veto the request from ARSEA involving retirement. No one seconded the motion, so the motion died. The Board will not approve the COLA raise for the former M4A employee.
- G. New Business:
  - A motion was made by Rev. Bynum to allow Carolyn Fortner to write a resolution regarding recognizing Brother Bud Jones for his continued service to the community, as well as giving the Boards' condolences on the loss of his wife. The letter will be written by Carolyn and presented at the next Board Meeting. All were in favor, no one opposed.

There was no additional business. Mr. Turnipseed made the motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Mr. Lovelady. All were in favor and no one opposed.

The next Board meeting will be on Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at M4A.

Approved:		
Richard Levels		
Richard Lovelady, M4A Board Chairman	Date	