Middle Alabama Area Agency on Aging (M4A) Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 25, 2012

In attendance: Mr. Dan Acker, Rev. Glenn Bynum, Mr. Bill Fowler, Ms. Vanessa McKinney, Judge Chris Green, Ms. Lee Ann Clark, Ms. Carolyn Fortner, Ms. Dianne Nance and Ms. Debbie Battles.

- A. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Bynum at 10:10am. Judge Green provided the prayer. A quorum was determined and there were no proxies.
- B. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Acker and seconded by Judge Green. All others were in favor, no one opposed.
- C. A motion to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2012 Board meeting was made by Mr. Acker and seconded by Ms. Clark. All others were in favor, no one opposed.
- D. Executive Director's Report by Carolyn Fortner
 - 1. Special Guest Speaker, Commissioner Neal Morrison, will speak to the Board, M4A staff members and guest legislators regarding ADSS's proposed plan to phase out the Hold Harmless when distributing OAA funds to the AAAs. The Hold Harmless provides that each AAA will receive the funding it received during FY 2003; any additional funds over FY 2003 levels will be distributed according to the Intrastate Funding Formula. Because the funding for OAA services has not increased significantly, the Hold Harmless has created an inequity, especially in regions like TARCOG (Huntsville area), SARPC (Mobile region) and M4A which have experienced significant growth in the 60 and older population.

2. Updates

- Hold Harmless- Commissioner Morrison will address the Board's questions on this subject following the Board meeting.
- ii. The FY2013 Meal Funding is level from FY 2012.
- iii. Medicaid Managed Care workshops were held at AARC conference.
- iv. Annual Operating Element for FY2013 is due to ADSS by 11/16/12.
- v. Grants
 - a. AQAF-ADSS: CMS grant to reduce readmission rates from nursing home facilities to hospitals.
 - b. Chronic Disease Self Management Program has been renewed for another year.
- E. Debbie Battles presented the status of programs report. A copy of the status report was given to the Board members. The report showed the total clients assisted in each program for FY2012. Additional information was given on the new M4A website, new agreement

with UWCA on the Senior Support Fund, Memory Screening Day, a newspaper article featuring our Ombudsman, Alicia Lepke, and October and November calendars of M4A outreach events for each Board member's county.

- F. Dianne Nance presented the FY2013 budget report.
- G. Old Business: None
- H. New Business:
 - 1. The Board reviewed the M4A FY2013 Budget. Judge Green made the motion to approve the budget and it was seconded by Mr. Acker. All were in favor and no one opposed.

There was no additional new business at this meeting. Mr. Acker made the motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Judge Green. All were in favor and no one opposed.

The next Board meeting will be on Wednesday, February 27, 2013 at M4A.

Approved:		
Rupa Swell		
Richard Lovelady, M4A Board Chairman	Date	