Older Americans Advisory Board

Minutes- January 3, 2013

Vice President Hank Bikofsky called the meeting to order at 10:10 am and opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was established and the minutes were accepted as amended. (See attachment #-1)

Mayor Neugent, our speaker, spoke about the economy being up according motel and hotel increased occupancies, BP funding ranging from 6 to 25 million will be handled by a county committee, stressing claims being based upon job creation and environmental needs, legislative funding for sewers on Cudjoe Key, County budget needing to be watched carefully in the coming months.

An open discussion followed with such topics as code compliance, Big Pine traffic problems, Senior Center employee openings, global warming effects on the Keys and the Key Deer situation.

Three new board members were introduced;
Darlene Bennett, Diana Ross and Monczi Beattie.
Kathleen Ryzoc, RN of the VNA was introduced as the new Chief Operating Officer of the VNA, by Jody Gross.

Old Business: e-mail list additions and deletions finalized and postal mailing list completed.

New Business: Oaths of Office distributed to new members & e-mail from Sheryl Graham was given to the board and guests attending. (See attachment#-2)

Adjournment: 11:30 am

Respectfully, J. D. Grech, Secretary

DECEMBER 6, 2012 AMEMDED TO READ:

OAA FUNDING

MIAMI-DADE AND MONROE COUNTIES

Population (2010 census) Age 62 or Older (2010 census)

Miami-Dade 2,496,435 423,881 - 17% of population \

Monroe 73,090 16,085 - 22% of population

Population of Miami-Dade + Monroe Combined 2,569,525

Percentage From Monroe County 3.28%

Residents 62 or Older for Miami-Dade + Monroe Combined 439,966

Percentage From Monroe County 3.66%

2012 OAA Funding

Grand Total for Miami-Dade + Monroe $13,399,270.05

Amount Directed to Monroe County $437,737.44

Monroe County's Percentage 0f OAA Funds 3.27%

The above numbers suggest that the allocation of funds to Monroe County, 3.27% of the total distributed, was based on the county's percentage (3.26%) of the combined populations of Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties.

Had the allocation of funds been based on Monroe County's share of the total older population (3.66% of those 62 or older) Monroe County would have been allocated approximately an additional $52,600 for a total of approximately $490,400.

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I am requesting that the minutes be corrected to read:

Bob Davis, Board Member, reported that according to data presented to the Board at its last meeting, and data available from the U.S. Census, 2010 the distribution of funds between Monroe and Miami-Dade Counties of funds appears to be based on the two counties' populations. This may work to the disadvantage of Monroe County which, according to the 2010 U.S.census, has a higher percentage of older residents.

I will appreciate your confirming by return e-mail your receipt of this request.

Thank you very much.

Bob Davis

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Wednesday, January 2, 2013 2:33 PM

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Hello OAAB !!! Happy New Year !!

I wanted to give you an update because neither Marlene or I will be in attendance at tomorrow's OAAB meeting. Marlene and I are both ill and both of us have been out of the office for many days trying to get better quickly.

There are a few things going on in Social Services that I can update you on via email though.

1) Oria Araque, our long term Marathon Social Services employee, is hospitalized in Miami and is very, very ill. At this point, it looks unlikely that she will return to our office. For several months, we have been covering her absence by providing staff from KW and PK as well as with volunteers. Hopefully, if someone notices that calls are being transferred, or maybe it takes a day or two to get an appointment, they are being patient and understanding. We have not had to close the office at all during Oria's absence as we have been successfully arranging coverage and staff and volunteers have come together to assist. Our special thanks go to Cappie (Mar), Bonnie (Mar), Ann (Mar), Matt (KW), Marlene (KW), and Michelle (PK) for helping us with ongoing coverage in Marathon on a daily basis.

2) We have received a $100K Emergency Solutions Grant to assist needy families throughout the Keys with rental assistance. This is a new grant, but it is very similar in nature to the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Grant that sunset last year.

3) We still have plenty of funding to assist low income elders or families with utility payments if they are struggling paying their bills.

4) If you are aware of any low income seniors who are struggling to pay for medicine that they need, please refer them to our offices so that we may try to help them. We do have funding for prescription drugs for our seniors in need.

5) Have anyone who needs a ride from Transportation call us at 292-4424 to make a reservation to ride. Our ridership numbers are up, but we still have plenty of seats on our buses and time to pick up riders. If for some reason we cannot accommodate a specific day or time to ride, we will offer other days and times which may help out. Remember, our buses pick people up at their doors and take them directly to their destinations. Since we offer para-transit services, we do not utilize bus stops – we get people on board right at their house. Our buses are all wheelchair accessible.

6) Please encourage residents to attend one of our four meal sites and enjoy a healthy lunch each week day. If you know of someone who is home bound and needs meals, please have them call Ellen at 292-4522 so that they can be screened for our home delivered meal program.

7) For all assistance programs that we offer in Social Services, residents can always call Helen at 292-4408 or Michelle at 852-7125 for information, a pre-screening, and an appointment if necessary. If any of our numbers are busy, or if you do not get a call back within 24 hours, please know that you can always call me or Luli at 292-4511 and we will get you whatever information you need.

Thank you and Happy New Year !!

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Older American Advisory Board: Sign in Sheet

Meeting Date: JANUARY 2013

OAAB MEMBERS	
1. JAMES J. WAGNER 2466	16.
2. Jim OLSEN 2466	17.
3. Betty J Brown 2466	18.
4. Diana Ron	19.
5. Shirley Rasemus 2324	20.
6. Julie Vidulich 2324	**Ex-Officio County Commissioner**
7. Mary Ann Causley #1351	[illegible]
8. Darlene Bennett #1351	
9. Richard "DIVER" OVERMAN #1351	
10. John GRECH UPPER KEYS	**Monroe County Staff**
11. Hank Bikofsky #2324	1.
12. Pam Martin	2.
13. MONCZI BEATTIE	3.
14.	4.
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VOLUNTEER HOURS	
LOWER KEYS	868
MIDDLE KEYS	190
BIG PINE	309
UPPER KEYS	245

GUESTS	
1. Norma MacDonald 2466	
2. Pat Olsen 2466	
3. Jody Gross VNA/Hospice	
4. Kathleen Ryan VNA/Hospice	
5.	**Guest Speakers**
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