

**Older Adult Services Advisory Council  
Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2017 – 3:30 PM  
HCS Georgian Annex**

**Members Present:** Chair Don Ryan, Samantha Carlson, David Eyke, John Hilliard, Deb Josephson, Kimberly Middleton, Kelly Quardokus, Ros Robbert

**Members Absent:** Clinton Lewis, Beulah Price

**Staff:** Judy Sivak, Anne Zemlick, Judy Adlam, Kelly Barnett, Janice Bonita, Brien Brockway, Norma Bour, Carol Decker, Judy Hayes, Kelly Jonker, April Mix, Laurie Palanca, Marilyn Reed, Patti Stratton, Beth Ridge. Medical Student Interns: John Mark Becker, Conner Holthaus, Yoad Porat, Kyle VanDommelen, Janani Veluchamy

**AASA Rep.:** Cindy Albrecht

**Guests:** Commissioner Mike Quinn; Jim Rutherford, HCS Director; Charlotte Smith, HCS Deputy Director; Dave Carroll, Senior Services; Sara Wick, MSAC Delegate; Joyce Ryan

I. **Welcome & Introductions:** Chairman Don Ryan opened the meeting with welcome and introductions.

II. **Approval of November 2016 Minutes:**

<b>Motion</b>	<b>Carried</b>	<b>To approve November 2016 Minutes</b>
		<b>Kimberly M. John H.</b>

III. **Citizen Time:** Cindy Albrecht reported that Aging & Adult Services Agency (AASA) hired Richard Kline as Senior Deputy Director. He was serving as interim.

Judy announced that Jim Rutherford is the new Director of HCS, and Judy asked him to tell about himself, which he did. Chair Don R. asked David Eyke and Samantha Carlson, the two new OASAC members, to say a bit about their backgrounds, which they did.

Anne Z. thanked Loaves & Fishes (Deb Josephson), Lending Hands (John Hilliard), Life EMS (Kimberly Middleton), Senior Services (Dave Carroll), Bronson, etc., for helping

out during the Crosstown Parkway fire. Dave Carroll said Senior Services provided meals.

- IV. **Member Time**: John H., regarding the fire at Crossroads, thanked Kimberly for helping him to coordinate the medical equipment that they needed. Also, John said that furniture is available to non-profits from a practice he knows that moved—let him know if you're interested.

Kimberly is in charge of PFA, and she and her steering committee have a great year planned for 2017. On Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 8 AM at Senior Services, Melissa Brown, from Adult Protective Services, is speaking on Elder Orphans. Bring your business cards, they have a resource table.

**Financial Report Review**: Beth R. reviewed the November report; we're on track for everything except for Healthy Living Programs. There will be adjustments on the report by end of December which figures in the latest funding amounts.

<b>Motion</b>	<b>Carried</b>	<b>To Approve the November Financial Report</b>
		<b>John H.</b>
		<b>Kimberly M.</b>

- V. **Advocacy Report**: Judy S. reviewed. KCASI has no program in January. The February 20<sup>th</sup> meeting will be on issues to follow in 2017. For the Administration for Community Living's Older Americans month in May, *Age Out Loud* is the theme, and the theme for Older Michiganians Day on May 17<sup>th</sup>. We need an additional Michigan Senior Advocacy Council (MSAC) delegate, we usually have two people. Think about people you know who would be interested in going to the Capitol and advocating on mostly state issues, some Federal. Judy read from the latest *Ageing Network News*. When she was in Lansing yesterday, she heard the issue of No-Fault will come up again. Sara W. added that the Michigan House is reorganizing, 40 new representatives. Senate offices moved into new building. Rep. Brandt Iden has new legislative director. Rep. Iden will be doing regular coffees; next is January 30<sup>th</sup> at Rykse's. Mary Ablan, Executive Director of AAAAM, is retiring at the end of March.

Chairman moved up on the agenda item number **VIII. Other Business** to precede VII. Staff Report.

- **Approval of United Way Final Report**: Report distributed. Judy S. said she was very proud of what was accomplished with the United Way grant. Kudos to Marilyn Reed and Norma Bour who did a lot of work.

**Motion**                      **Carried**                      **To Approve the UW Final Report**

**Kelly Q.**

**Deb J.**

Kelly Q. asked if we are reapplying for the UW grant. Judy said we're not able to because their priorities changed.

- **Celebrate Elderhood:** Judy S. distributed the Celebrate Elderhood brochures. Jan Underhill, a graphic designer she's worked with for years, volunteered her services. Judy reviewed the listed events. Two of our medical student interns interviewed the first centenarian today.

Anne Z. and Joyce Ryan will be on the Lori Moore show tomorrow, and will put in a plug to help us find the 100+ year olds.

- VI. Staff Reports:** Judy S. introduced the staff reports by saying that our staff is committed, professional, and an asset to the community and the people we serve. Kelly Q. restated that on behalf of the community.

Each staff reported on what their position is and what they do, and many spoke about noteworthy cases. Anne Z. reported on behalf of Don Saldia and Laurie Palanca in their absence.

**Motion**                      **Carried**                      **To Adjourn at 5:30 PM**

**John H.**

**Deb J.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Janice Bonita