



Agenda

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RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP) ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

**Tuesday, January 7, 2014
10:00 a.m.**

MEG Senior Center Board Room
1121 Alto Street Santa Fe, NM

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of Minutes from meeting November 26, 2013
6. Business Reports
 - a) RSVP Coordinator's Report, Kristin Slater-Huff
 - b) Senior Board Report, Doug Schocke
 - c) Other reports, if applicable
7. Old/Unfinished Business
8. Membership
 - a) Election of Officers
 - b) Discussion of Potential Members
9. New Business/Announcements
10. Time and place of next meeting
11. Adjournment

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Retired Senior Volunteer Program
Advisory Council Meeting
Unofficial Minutes for January 7, 2014

Members Present: Carmen Ortiz, Mariano Tixier, Frank Lucero, Ted Yamada

Members Excused: Many Valdez, Christine Sandoval, Joyce Martinez, Barbara Anderson-Acosta, Doug Schocke

Staff: Kristin Slater-Huff, Marisa Romero

No Quorum: Minutes of November meeting and Agenda not officially approved

Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Frank Lucero at 10:35

RSVP Report: Kristin Slater-Huff

(See Kristin's report attached) Additionally, Kristin mentioned that, in the past year, Janet Amtman, Charlie Schenk and (now) Manny Valdez have resigned. She said that she and Marisa were planning to ask Valorie at AmberCare Hospice to join the committee and perhaps other business members.

No Senior Board of Directors Report

Doug reported the Board has been dealing with conflicts with staff and volunteers at the Pasatiempo Senior Center. He said that the Board has reviewed the Capital Outlay request for Senior Services. Also, that they have discussed the Friday food distribution program at the different senior centers.

Announcements:

There were no announcements or old or unfinished business

The next meeting will be March 25th, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at the MEG Center.

Respectfully submitted by

Kristin Slater-Huff



RSVP Program Report

January 7, 2014

Reports, State and Federal

- We expect to hear in February whether we will be awarded the federal CNCS grant for the period starting April 1st.
- Marisa prepared all of the information for the Progress Report due to CNCS in December and we submitted it early. It covered the program statistics over the previous year.
- Marisa is currently collecting the volunteer hours for October through December.
- Marisa met with ALTSD staff to show them what kind of data is collected in our RSVP Reporter database. They would like to have a more comprehensive collection system for the state (without causing volunteer programs more work) beyond # of volunteers, hours and stations.

Volunteer Recognition

- Marisa sent out the 2014 wall calendars as gifts to all volunteers.
- The volunteer banquet is scheduled for May 8th at the Community Convention Center.
- We are waiting on other recognition until we know whether we get the grant award.

Volunteer Stations and Volunteer Issues

- I met with the new owners of Pacifica Senior Living (formerly Rosemont) about volunteer needs there, and ran an ad to recruit volunteers to offer activities to residents.
- I am meeting with the volunteer coordinator at Ambercare Hospice Friday to get an MOU going with them.
- I met with the director of Palliate Care Santa Fe to enroll them as a station.
- As always, my family and I gave out Christmas gifts to about 200 children through the Food for Santa Fe distribution. It also strengthens RSVP's ties with those volunteers.
- We have recruited several new volunteers for the Tax Aide program again this year.

Training/ Meetings/ Committees

- Marisa and I attended the Aging Network Training Session (ANTS) in Albuquerque to which we invited all of you. I went for one day and Marisa went for two days.
- We are working to have the "What is an Advisory Committee" presentation done in a couple of months for all of you and the other committees and the Board at DSS, all together.
- I have been put on a "Livable Community" task force to identify Santa Fe's strengths for livability, especially for seniors, and strengthen its weaknesses. This is spearheaded by the AAA and you are welcome to attend the January 14th meeting.

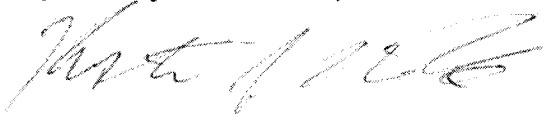
Special Projects / Misc.

- Although I still write/edit and we still deliver the newsletter every month, the process may be made easier by a new person in our Graphics office who seems to want to work with us.
- The RSVP office received a big new copier/scanner/ printer.
- We reorganized our storage closet to accommodate office items removed for the copier.
- I completed the updates on the *2014 Santa Fe Family Resource Guide* by Prime Time Publishing. I also worked on our Director's letter and wrote a letter from our mayor for it.
- We coordinated and oversaw the County assessor providing property tax collection at the MEG senior center for the first time.
- Marisa and I were very involved in the "Be a Santa to a Senior" program this year. We nominated a few seniors for gifts, then I went and picked up about 400 gifts people had purchased and brought them here where we both wrapped and distributed the gifts over the holidays.

Action Items

- Tuesday, January 28th will be Alliance for Area Agencies on Aging/Senior Day at the New Mexico State Legislature. If anyone else wants to help run the table for Senior Services/RSVP, please let me know. We need **help** anytime 8:00 a.m. to noon. Or, please **just attend** the day's events.
- In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the three Senior Volunteer Programs are running a school supplies drive to benefit homeless children in the Adelante Program. Please **donate** items at MEG or Pasatiempo centers by January 29th.
- Friday food distributions at MEG are open to all ages and incomes. If you know anyone who could use a bag or two of free produce, bread, and dairy products, send them here at 2:00 on Fridays. Also, we can use a few more **volunteers** to come about 1:00 – 3:00 to help.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kristin Slater-Huff,
RSVP Community Relations Administrator