

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON AGING MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes of the Advisory Committee on Aging Meeting – Thursday, April 22, 2010, at the Harriet Hunter Center in Camp Springs, Maryland 20748.

**Committee Members Present:**

Christal Parker Batey  
 Mary H. Budd  
 Albert M. Dickson  
 Patricia C. Fletcher  
 Jeanette E. Higginbotham  
 Ela E. Holmes  
 Spencer B. Howard  
 James R. Lyles, Sr.  
 Ethel L. Mitchell-Rock  
 Dorothy Powell-Allen  
 Betty S. Richardson

**Committee Members Absent:**

Leslie Adams (absent)  
 Trina Brown (absent)  
 Carla W. Carter (excused)  
 Judith G. Cato (excused)  
 Camille M. Crawford (excused)  
 Brenda Harris (excused)  
 Robert A. James (excused)  
 Karren Pope Onwukwe (excused)  
 Shirley D. Tyner-Pratt (excused)  
 Byron Richardson (excused)

**Department of Family Services Staff:**

Patricia Morris, Director, DFS  
 Deborah McBroom, for Theresa Grant, Administrator, AAA  
 Joann Carnathan, Program Manager, AAA

- Vice Chair, Christal Parker Batey called the Meeting to order at approximately 9:40 a.m.
- It was properly motioned and seconded that the minutes from the March 25, 2010 meeting be accepted.

**AAA REPORT:**

- Maryland Access Point - Discussed plans for upcoming Open House.
- Aging Resource Center - A Memo of Understand to form a One-Stop Shop for senior services is being worked on.
- Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Program – Staff will assist seniors to re-enroll and to enroll in other programs on May 27<sup>th</sup> at the Harriett Hunter Center from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- May 12<sup>th</sup> – An event will be held at the Lodge of Marlton, 9590 Crain Highway, Upper Marlboro, Maryland to provide information to county seniors about available programs from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Grant money – The Family Caregiving Program received supplemental funds, to purchase supplies for family members. The funds will last through the end of September 2010.
- The Area Agency on Aging is gearing up for Updates for the Area Plan for FY 2011.
- The Senior Nutrition Program received Special Recognition and a Proclamation from the County Council, for delivered meals to Home Bound seniors during the recent snow storm.

- The Aging website is being updated.
- The Ombudsman position has not been filled.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Bowie Bay Sox Senior Day – The Committee will select a day in July to attend.
- Planning Retreat – Scheduled for Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Billingsley House Museum, 6900 Green Landing Road, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772.
- The Committee has selected a recipient for the Annual Claudius D. Walker Volunteer Award.
- Committee members are requested to donate for a special gift to be presented at the Volunteer Recognition Luncheon.
- Copies of the 2009 Annual Report, of the Advisory committee on Aging were received by attendees.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Discussed having refreshments at Committee meetings, will be put on June Retreat Agenda. Mr. Dickson will cover the expenses for the refreshments for the September 23, 2010 meeting.
- Greenbelt Wellness Day – The event is sponsored in partnership with AARP and Walgreens and is scheduled for May 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup> – Free Legal Clinics at the following Senior/Nutrition Centers, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – *Berwyn Heights senior Center, Bowie Multi-Service Senior Center, Brandywine Senior Nutrition Center, Camp Springs senior Activity Center, Evelyn Cole Senior Activity Center, Langley Park Senior Activity Center, and New Carrollton Senior Nutrition Center.*
- May is Older Americans Month. This year's Theme is Aging Well! Living Long!
- May 14<sup>th</sup> – Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon at the Camelot By Martins, 13905 Central Avenue, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20774 at 11:00 a.m. RSVP form should be completed and returned by May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- May 20<sup>th</sup> – Older Americans Month Information Day, Evelyn Cole Senior Center, 5720 Addison road, Seat Pleasant, Maryland 20743, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. To register call 301-265-8460. The first 100 registrants will receive a prize.
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Meet and Greet Congresswoman Donna F. Edwards, Harriett Hunter Center, 6420 Allentown Road, Camp Springs, Maryland 20748, at 11:00 a.m.
- June 24<sup>th</sup> – Aging Advisory Committee Annual Planning Retreat, Billingsley House Museum, 6900 Green Landing Road, Upper Marlboro, Maryland, 20772, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

### **NEXT MEETING**

**Thursday, June 24, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.**

**Billingsley House Museum, 6900 Green Landing Road, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772**

Submitted by: Jeanette E. Higginbotham, Secretary