



**REGULAR MEETING
Approved Minutes**

The Commission On Seniors convened in a regular meeting on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2015, Boards and Commissions, First floor in room 1101, 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Dan Pruett called the meeting to order at 12:03p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Jacqueline Angel	Erica Garcia-Pittman	Fred Lugo
Angela Atwood	Martin Kareithi	Dan Pruett
Dr. Tom Coopwood	Joyce Lauck	Jennifer Scott

Staff in Attendance:

Edna Staniszewski, COA-HHSD

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

John Woodley – Inappropriate location of accommodation and CART provider.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 11, 2015 MEETING.

- Commissioner Fred Lugo motioned to accept the MARCH 11, 2015 minutes with the corrections to Commissioner Martin Kareithi spelling and addition of his last name.
- Commissioner Jacqueline Angel seconded the motion.
- Motion passed 8-0-0.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A) Presentation from the African American Quality of Life (Adrienne Sturrup)

- Program Components:
 - Public Health Education
 - Education on diabetes, high blood pressure, and HIV
 - Community Engagement
 - Mobile units in the community
 - Free screening services
- Goals:
 - Increased knowledge and awareness
 - Healthier Lifestyles
 - Improved health status
- Next community event scheduled the 3rd Saturday in September 2015. Ms. Sturrup will pass information to the board when event date is closer.

Commissioner Angela Atwood joined the dais at 12:35pm

B) Presentation from the Asian American Quality of Life (Vince Cobalis)

- Recommendations
 - Improve outreach to subpopulations
 - Focus on prevention
 - Increase Access to health care
 - Provide culturally sensitive health care
- Plans of kitchen expansion at the Asian American Resource Center to include cultural meals.
 - Chair Dan Pruett suggested to list the priorities for the next appointed commissioners such as
 - Budget
 - Kitchen expansion
 - Transportation issues

C) Draft Internal Review

- Commissioner Martin Kareithi motioned to add language to the recommendation that states that our two Commissions (Commission on Seniors and the Austin Mayor’s Committee for People with Disabilities) will meet no more than twice a year. And/or hold ad hoc meetings at the recommendations of the liaisons and the chairs of the joint two committee and Commission on Seniors is opposing the merger of the two groups.
- Commissioner Dan Pruett seconded the motion.
- Motion passed 9-0-0.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A) Commission Work Plan – Standing Item.

- Under Assignments and Goals, #2
 - Change “Join ” to “Continuing involvement with”
- Tax Options
 - Submit one recommendation with the 3 separate option including the pros and cons.
- In addition,
- No action taken

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS

A) Overview of City of Austin Commission on Seniors.

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A) Review and finalize recommendations (May)
- B) Review and finalize Internal Review (May)
- C) Latino Quality of Life
- D) Drive a Senior Program

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 1:30p.m.