# **ElderSource Advisory Council Meeting**

10688 Old St. Augustine Rd. Jacksonville, Florida Thursday January 18, 2024 12:30 PM

Call-In Number: 1-929 436-2866 Meeting ID #: 842 548 1583

**AGENDA** 

Call to Order
 Signatures – In-kind Match & Travel Vouchers
 Cheryl Jefferson, Chair
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3. Roll Call – Sherry Holmes, Administrative Assistant Sherry Holmes, Admin. Assistant

4. Approval of Council Minutes (Meeting October 19, 2023) Cheryl Jefferson, Chair

5. Nominating Committee Dr. Ashley Jennings, Chair

**6.** Long Term Care Neil Ambrus, VP Planning and

**Programs** 

7. Area Plan Update Janet Dickinson, Planner8. Ideas for Next Meeting's Topic Janet Dickinson, Planner

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9. County Reports

Baker

Clay Duval

Flagler

Nassau

St. Johns

Volusia

10. Old Business

11. New Business

12. Date of Next Meeting – February 15, 2024 at 12:30 PM

13. Public Comments

**14.** Adjourn Cheryl Jefferson, Chair

Inclusion Statement: ElderSource values all people – including but not limited to all nationalities, socio-economic backgrounds, abilities, races, genders, religious perspectives, sexual orientations, and gender identities – in everything we do. We welcome the unique insights and perspectives of all persons in our quest to fulfill our mission.

Mission: To empower individuals to age with independence and dignity by providing leadership, direction, advocacy, and support for a comprehensive coordinated continuum of care.

# Advisory Council Meeting 10688 Old St Augustine Rd Thursday October 19, 2023 12:30 PM

#### Via Zoom

#### **Present**

Christy Fitzgerald – Clay Stevie Taylor – Clay Cheryl Jefferson – Duval Valerie Thomas – Duval Barbara Solomon – Flagler Bernie Fitzgerald – Flagler Ashley Jennings – Volusia Frances Chew – Volusia

# **Staff and Guest**

Tameka G. Holly, COO Neil Ambrus, VP of Plan/Prgs/Compl/Inclu. Andrea Spencer, VP of Communications Janet Dickinson, Planner Gabrielle Garay, Communications Specialist

#### **Absent**

Diane Eckerd – Clay
Ingrid Montgomery – Duval (Excused)
Joanne Hinkel – Flagler (Excused)
Christine Hackney – Nassau (Excused)
Albert Abbatiello – St. Johns (Excused)
Latonja Best – St. Johns (Excused)
Chernice Benjamin – Volusia (Excused)

# **Meeting Called To Order**

Cheryl Jefferson called the meeting to order at 12:34 PM.

#### **Roll Call**

Sherry Holmes, Administrative Assistant called the roll, and a quorum was present.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes from the August 17, 2023, meeting was made by Bernie Fitzgerald and seconded by Stevie Taylor. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Recruitment for Members**

Tameka G. Holly, COO discussed the need for member recruitment in the following counties:

Baker – There are 3 openings and no members

Duval – There is 1 opening and 3 members

Nassau – There is 1 opening and 2 members St. Johns – There is 1 opening and 2 members Volusia – There are 2 openings and 2 members

Please contact Sherry Holmes regarding any referrals to the Advisory Council and if you have any ideas about advertising our membership needs contact Andrea Spencer.

# **Outreach Opportunities for Advisory Council**

Janet Dickinson noted that as part of our state-funded programs through the Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA), our primary responsibility is to proactively engage with older adults in our local communities and ensure fair and equal access to our services for them. DOEA has identified specific groups and populations that require our concentrated efforts due to their significant social and economic challenges.

Priority populations (established by the DOEA):

- Below Poverty Level
- Minority\*
- Low Income Minority
- Living Alone\*
- Probably Alzheimer's Disease
- Limited English Proficiency
- Living in Rural Areas\*

(\*Areas needing improvement in meeting our PSA4 goals per DOEA)

# Other focus populations:

- Caregivers
- At Risk of Institutional Placement

Andrea Spencer discussed ways in which Advisory Council members can share information in the communities about ElderSource and what we do. There was a lot of discussion about who to contact and how to provide the brochures.

- Andrea suggested two basic brochures for the community, an ElderSource brochure and a Volunteer Opportunities brochure.
- Andrea will provide a summary of ElderSource and what we do.
- Each delivery would be logged indicating the location of the facility, the name of the individual, address, and their title, and what they would be willing to post.
- Members will follow up at a later time to determine if the brochures need to be replenished.
- Janet will be the source of contact and track these actions through a spreadsheet.

- Andrea suggested that members review the list provided in the meeting package and select one name a week to contact.
- Janet will send an email to members informing them of the process to provide ElderSource brochures to the City of Jacksonville (COJ) senior centers.

Janet is asking the group to hold off from sending brochures to the City of Jacksonville senior centers until she finds out what their process is.

Cheryl Jefferson suggested that each member make 3 contacts before the next meeting and report the outcomes of their actions.

Bernie suggested having a badge that identifies members when they are in the public, as this appears more professional.

Andrea Spencer and Gabrielle Garay will be presenting individually next week to: Baptist ministry group, and the Church 1122. They will have information afterwards to bring back to the group and share.

### **Client Satisfaction Surveys**

Janet Dickinson noted that prior to this meeting she sent an email to the group inquiring if they were interested in participating in the client satisfaction surveys. Janet will create a list of clients for interested members to call, using the questions on the survey form. Interested members may phone or email Janet.

# **Next Topic Ideas**

Cheryl Jefferson suggested that the topic for December's meeting be Long Term Care, describing all aspects of the coverage, such as in a home and in a facility.

#### Volusia

# Frances Chew

- Council on Aging of Volusia County held a Volunteer Appreciation event in their new dining site today.
- A Legal Aid clinic was held in Daytona allowing the public to connect with professionals regarding their issue.
- First United Methodist Church in Ormond Beach provides a "Caregivers Day Out," allowing caregivers respite care once a month on Thursday.
- The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Biketoberfest Rally is being held this week October 19–22 in Daytona Beach with live music, vendors, bike shows, and motorcycle racing at the Daytona International Speedway. There will be a biker parade on Sunday.

St. Johns

No Representation.

Nassau

No Representation.

# Flagler

#### Barbara Solomon

Barbara's church has formed a widow's ministry called "takes a village." The group is
made up of members who have lost a spouse. They created a list of providers: plumbers,
electricians, tax preparers, etc. for receiving help with running a household after losing a
loved one.

### Bernie Fitzgerald

• The 5<sup>th</sup> annual "Active after 50 Expo" presented by Flagler Health and Millennium Physician Group will be held at the Palm Coast Community Center beginning Saturday November 4-5 from 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Bernie will distribute ElderSource brochures at this event.

Duval

Cheryl Jefferson

Nothing to report.

#### Clay

# Stevie Taylor

- Senior Expo 2023 will be held at the University Center (UNF) on November 28-29. The event revolves around senior's health and wellness.
- Stevie is an official Aetna employee. He is the only captive agent in this region for Aetna.
- Stevie stressed the importance of seniors reviewing their medical plans during this open enrollment period as some plans are increasing and changes have been made.
- We are still dealing with food disparities.

#### Baker

No Representation.

#### **Actionable Items:**

- New Flagler Hospital Barbara Solomon to call and get contact name.
- List of Advisory Council members to Andrea Spencer Sherry Holmes
- Stevie Taylor and Andrea Spencer to exchange and amend church listings 1 week delivery

Old Business	
None	
New Business	
None	
There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned.	
Meeting Adjourned at 1:38 PM Minutes prepared by Sherry Holmes, Administrative Assista	nnt
These minutes were adopted by vote of this Advisory Council	il on
	(Date)
Secretary:	Stevie Taylor

• Andrea Spencer to order name badges for Advisory Council members.

# Advisory Council Nominating/Membership Committee 10688 Old St Augustine Rd Friday November 3, 2023 10:00 AM

#### Via Zoom

**Present** Staff

Ashley Jennings, Chair Bernie Fitzgerald Tameka G. Holly, COO Sherry Holmes, Admin. Assistant

# **Meeting Called To Order**

The meeting was called to order by Ashley Jennings at 10:03 AM.

The purpose of this meeting was to review and vote on two applications submitted by candidates to the Advisory Council:

Donna White – Duval County Doreen Willett – Volusia County

The Nominating Committee reviewed the applications and agreed that each candidate will be an asset to the Advisory Council.

#### Motion

A motion to approve these candidates for membership of the Advisory Council was made by Bernie Fitzgerald and seconded by Ashley Jennings. Motion passed unanimously.

The Committee unanimously decided to accept these candidates for membership of the Advisory Council.

The recommendation to accept these candidates to the Advisory Council will be presented to the Advisory Council members at the next meeting on December 7, 2023.

There was no further business for discussion and the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:11 AM Minutes prepared by Sherry Holmes, Administrative Assistant