

**DESERT HEALTHCARE DISTRICT
PROGRAM COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
May 12, 2015**

Attendance:

Members

Vice-President Grimm, DO, Chairman
Director Carole Rogers

Staff

Kathy Greco, Chief Executive Officer
Donna Craig, Chief Grants Officer
Steve Brown, Director of Community Relations

Committee Members

Kim McNulty, CVEP
Linda Levinson, Community Member
Milt Levinson, Community Member
Ronald Willison, Community Member
Linda Shestock, Community Member

Absent Committee Members

Allen Howe, Community Member
Joseph Pradetto, Constituent Outreach, Office of John J Benoit, 4th District Supervisor
Bev Greer, CEO, Stroke Recovery Center

Guests

Ginny Foat, Mizell Senior Center
Jack Newby, Mizell Senior Center

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Chairman Grimm.
Chairman Grimm and Director Rogers welcomed the four new community members.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Grimm requested a motion to approve the agenda.

A Motion was made by Director Rogers and seconded by Committee Member M. Levinson to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Director Rogers and seconded by Chairman Grimm to approve the minutes of April 14, 2015. Motion passed unanimously.

GRANTS

- a. Outstanding Grants & Grant Payment Schedule
- b . Proposals Under Development- Remaining Budget Impact
- c. Final Reports
 - 1. Grant #818 - Hidden Harvest

Chairman Grimm explained the purpose of each report/schedule, a-c, to the new committee members. There were no questions or comments.

- d. Pending Request for Consideration
 - 1. Grant #870 – Mizell Senior Center – CV Senior Fall Prevention Program - \$403,300 over 2 years.

Mr. Newby reviewed the fall prevention program as described in the application. After the “Matter of Balance” class 90% of the participants are able to join a exercise program. Mr. Newby answered the following questions:

- 1. Participants must check with their doctors.
- 2. Pharmacists come to the classes to answer questions about medications or combinations of medications that can affect their balance.
- 3. Doctors do make referrals to this program for their patients.
- 4. You do not need to be a resident of the City of Palm Springs or a member of Mizell Senior Center to participate in this program.
- 5. This will be a train the trainer program. Other senior centers, senior housing and assisted living facilities across the district and valley have requested the fall prevention program. New trainers can start the program in many locations. The individuals wishing to become trainers need to have certain criteria such as certification in senior exercise or physical therapy. The committee requested a site visit once the program begins.

A Motion was made by Committee Member McNulty and seconded by Committee Member M. Levinson to recommend to the Board to approve Grant #870 to Mizell Senior Center for the CV Senior Fall Prevention Program in the amount of \$403,300 over 2 year. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Program Committee Orientation

Mr. Brown walked the new committee members through the process to complete the Form 700. Also, Mr. Brown will provide power-points for the committee on The Brown Act.

Site Visits

Ms. Craig will provide the committee with dates to have site visits at the Desert AIDS Project and Mizell Senior Center.

CEO REPORT

Ms. Greco welcomed the new committee members. She reported that she and Director Rogers just returned from the Association of California Healthcare Districts Annual Conference where she was a panelist on community engagement. The community members are essential for community engagement.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS

1. Director Rogers recommended moving the time of the Program Committee to 12:00pm and the District would provide lunch for the committee. Lunch time might be a better time for committee members. The members present were agreeable however since 3 members were absent, staff will poll the other members and a decision could be made at the next committee meeting.
2. Mr. Levinson commented that he didn't realize how much the District does for the community.

STAFF COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:41 am.