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**Age-Friendly DC Task Force**

**Thursday September 10, 2015 3:30 pm**

**Room 407**

**George Washington University - Marvin Center**

**800 21st St. NW**

**Washington, DC 20052**

**Meeting Notes**

The meeting began at approximately 3:40 pm and was led by President Knapp. A quorum was present.

**Meeting Attendees – Task Force Members and Stand-Ins**

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| **Role/Domain** | **Member** | **Present** | **Stand In** | **Present** |
| Co-Chair | Brenda Donald | No | Rachel Joseph | No |
| Co-Chair | Steven Knapp | Yes | Renee McPhatter | Yes |
| Outdoor Spaces | Eric Shaw | No | Chris Shaheen | Yes |
| Outdoor Spaces | Kathy Sykes | Yes | None |  |
| Housing | Polly Donaldson | No | Jose Nunez | Yes |
| Housing | Sarah Rosen Wartell | Yes | Sharon Carney | No |
| Transportation | Leif Dormsjo | No | Greer Gillis | Yes |
| Transportation | Christian Kent | No | Christiaan Blake | Yes |
| Social Participation | Charon Hines | No | Kristal Knight | No |
| Social Participation | Ron Swanda | Yes | Ivan Lanier | Yes |
| Respect/Inclusion | Alexis Taylor | No | Jessica Hunt | No |
| Respect/Inclusion | Mario Acosta-Velez | Yes | None |  |
| Employment | Deborah Carroll | No | Christine Shelton | No |
| Employment | Romaine Thomas | No | Janet Heisse | Yes |
| Communication | Tegene Baharu | No | Eliana Hassen | No |
| Communication | Stuart Rosenthal | Yes | None |  |
| Health Services | Vacant | No | Vacant | No |
| Health Services | Saul Levin | No | Sejal Patel\* | No |
| Emergency Prep | Kevin Donahue | No | Stephanie Maltz | Yes |
| Emergency Prep | Linda Mathes | No | Paul Carden | No |
| Elder Abuse | Laura Green Zeilinger | No | Dr. Sheila Jones | Yes |
| Elder Abuse | Vacant | No | None |  |
| Education | Jennifer Niles | No | Aaron Parrott | No |
| Economic Dev. | Brian Kenner | No | Lavar Youmans | Yes |
| Community Dev. | Courtney Snowden | No | None |  |

**\*** Debbie Cohen, American Psychiatric Association, attended in place of Sejal Patel

**Actions:**

* Welcome and introductions
* Meeting notes approved.
* Progress Report unanimously approved.

**Updates:**

* Age-Friendly Business update:
  + Review committee will meet 9/16 to review applications received in 2015
  + Working to arrange an event to recognize Age-Friendly DC-designated businesses later this year
  + Suggestion to include information on applying when businesses obtain permits from DCRA
* Task Force Meeting calendar for next fiscal year was distributed.

**Discussion:**

* No comments about Age-Friendly DC goals and strategies
* Need to distinguish between baselines and targets
* Aim for consistency/clarity in measures
* Suggestion to identify 2-4 measures as primary metrics and an additional measures as secondary
* Professionalize data – look to universities for help
* Be clear about where data is coming from and within what time frame
* Compare measures with similar jurisdictions, where possible
* Consider taking the lead on a working group with other jurisdictions to refine best measures for indicators

Additional comments:

* Be aspirational, forward-thinking in target setting
* Look to undertake extensive, proven quality of life research study for DC as core measure of success

**Next Steps:**

* Age-Friendly DC staff will finalize progress report with design team.
* Progress report will be released at an event in early-mid October.
* AARP will give a presentation on the Livability Index at the next Task Force meeting.

Next full Task Force meeting will be Thursday, November 19, 330-530, John A. Wilson Building.

**Final Action:** Meeting adjourned at roughly 5:00 pm