

South Hampton Roads Disability Services Board '09
Hampton Roads Planning District Commission Office
(HRPDC), Regional Building
723 Woodlake Drive,
Chesapeake, Va. 23320

Minutes
12 August 2011

Attendees: Chris Heath Sherita Bethea Stephanie Potter
Shirley Confino-Rehder Helen Brown Brian Parker

Approval presented August as corrected although it was noted that we did not a quorum.

Program is scheduled October 11, 2011 with Suzanne Puryear to help identify our mission and goals. Session is scheduled for 9-4pm at Hampton Roads Planning District Commission Regional Chair. Any changes made to our structure will be addressed after this planning session. Chair will be sending requests for additional representatives to all the cities. Suggested letter was reviewed. Changes were made. Chair will be sending out this month. Shernita will try to arrange for food. She will prepare survey of other DSBs results to present to Ms. Puryear. We do have a small budget to offer lunch.

We have not gone to SunTrust yet. Chair will arrange with Eugene and Shernita to address a refund and change of account. Chair contacted with Wells Fargo and Langley Credit Union re their fees. There will be none at those banks. We agreed to have a bank report at each meeting.

RE 211 Virginia: Helene, Stephanie offered comments re the site. Chair announced that a grant was given to Senior Navigator to create source for information in Norfolk. Stephanie will look at website further.

Helen announced that HRT Para-transit is planning to help identify people using the Para-transit system and offer training to users to encourage the use local fixed routes transportation system and the TIDE. Applications to use Handy-ride has increased. Doctors will be used to determine rider qualifications. Sensitivity training for all bus drivers is planned. Helen noted that all buses are accessible. Changes in fee will be applied.

We all expressed the need to improve the transportation system, reevaluate the service as well as those serviced, and the need to educate both the consumer and the server. Helen will follow up with more information. We, as a Board, will follow this program.

Chair has arranged for Shernita Bethea and Stephanie Potter to be in touch with Phyllis Armistead of NRHA re their need for applicants requiring housing for people with disabilities.

Chair announced that Norfolk's Seven Venue has won a grant to have Real Live Signing at their theatre productions for the coming season.

Meeting adjourned 3.15pm.