Services to Older and Disabled Adults Committee

MINUTES DATE: 1-10-07 TIME: 10:00 AM LOCATION: DAAS – TAYLOR HALL

PERSONS PRESENT:	John Carroll Co-Chair, John Tanner Co-Chair, Vic Martin, Carol Addington, Robert Buckner, Linda Allison, Gail Holden, Keith Johnson, Bill Duke, Vondrena Gore, Janet Miller, Tim Lackey, Renee Bynum, Phyllis Smith, Pamela Nelms, Vanessa Funderburk, Catherine Baker, Fennie Oxendine, Alona Sloan, Glenda Artis (DAAS), Vicky Church (DAAS), Wanda Jordan, Emily Saunders (DAAS), Ethel Farrell, Susan York, Terry Brubaker (NC FAST), Suzanne Merrill (DAAS), Evelyn Johnson and Brenda Smith

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS	John Carroll and John Tanner Co-Chairs

APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Motion made by Bill Duke to accept the minutes of 12-13-06 as written; the motion was seconded by Phyllis Smith. The committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

AGENDA ITEM: QUALITY ASSURANCE INITIATIVE PILOT PRESENTER: EMILY SAUNDERS

DISCUSSION	Emily Saunders presented updates to the committee on the QI pilot. Emily attended the meeting of the Aging Study Commission on January 3 to give a progress report as well as the tools and instruments that will be used during the pilot. The following counties have been selected to participate in the pilot; Alamance, Buncombe, Nash and Rutherford. The pilot is expected to run from April 2, 2007 – February 29-2008. Emily also fielded questions from the commission.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

AGENDA ITEM: ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICES MANUAL RE-WRITE PRESENTER: VICKY CHURCH

DISCUSSION	Vicky Church distributed copies of section III which addresses citizenship and residency requirements to the committee members. Vicky advised the committee that policy defines legal residence and made the rule reflect what state law reflects. In the changes that were given to the committee members, a clause was added on page III-3 and some wording changes on page III-5; both are highlighted. County residency and responsibility are not addressed with adult care home case management and placement services. Motion was made by Carol Addington to accept the manual re-write; the motion was seconded by Keith Johnson. The committee unanimously voted to accept the manual revisions.	
CONCLUSIONS		
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AGENDA ITEM: LEGISLATIVE UPDATES **PRESENTER: SUZANNE MERRILL**

DISCUSSION	**An overview of the draft recommendations from the Study Commission on Aging were distributed to the committee members. The Commission met January 9, 2007. Seventeen recommendations were made and each recommendation is summarized on pages 1-3 of the draft. Suzanne Merrill went over each recommendation and noted the background beginning on page four of the draft. It is expected that the first draft will make it for the upcoming long session. Final vote is expected January 23, 2007.**
CONCLUSIONS	

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AGENDA ITEM: OVERNIGHT RESPITE IN ADULT DAY PROGRAMS **PRESENTER: GLENDA ARTIS**

DISCUSSION	**Glenda Artis distributed copies of the outline addressing the position of the NC Adult Day Services Association regarding 24 hour respite in certified adult day care/day health centers to committee members. Glenda advised the committee members that the association is advocating for centers to provide overnight respite after hours as a service independent of the adult day care/day health services. The association is advocating for a separate statutory definition, licensure/certification and clearly defined rules and regulations and are wanting multiple sites that offer 24 hour respite. Glenda went on to say that if one of the sites provides adult day care/day health services and 24 hour respite that they would be under separate rules and regulations independent of each other. Feedback from the committee members was that there is obviously a need for this service, however, the department needs to bring together a stakeholders group and study what needs to be done as far as oversight and consumer protection. John Tanner suggested the following statement to summarize the committee's views on this issue: "While we support expansion of overnight respite care for elderly and disabled adults, we encourage DAAS to study appropriate ways of expanding it including accompanying licensure rules and regulations and funding". Motion was made by Bill Duke for the committee to take this stance on the overnight respite issue; the motion was seconded by Vondrena Gore. The committee voted unanimously to assume the position advocating for further study.**
CONCLUSIONS	

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AGENDA ITEM: WRAP-UP AND FEBRUARY AGENDA **PRESENTER: JOHN CARROLL AND JOHN TANNER COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS**

DISCUSSION	**Suzanne Merrill introduced Mary Dodd Edwards, Ms. Edwards is the liaison between DHHS and the General Assembly. Also the agenda for the February 7 meeting was discussed tentatively. Items considered are: NC FAST, CAP-DA Slot Allocation, updates from Suzanne Merrill and At Risk Case Management**
CONCLUSIONS	

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Submitted by: Vic Martin
Rutherford County DSS