

# Minutes

## Caregivers Committee Governor's Commission on Senior Services January 25, 2007 Department of Human Services

**Attendees:** Remona Simpson (Chair), Kay Kirkbride (vice-chair), Elaine Barrett, Chuck Frazier, and Joan Staley

**Excused/Absent:** Eunice Dutton (E), Barbara Nelson, and Kelly Wessels  
**Guests:** Peggie Beck, Marilyn Hinds, Lucy Morgan, Marjorie Reuling, and Millie Salt

**Staff:** Morgen Brodie, Becky Murphy, and Wendy Russell

**Called Meeting to Order 9:06**

### Review Agenda

There were no additions or corrections.

### Approval of Minutes

A few corrections: page 2, second paragraph under Tax Credit/Deduction, "It's" hoped...instead of "His". Under Adult Day Service Centers, add new sentence at end of first paragraph: "They are working on basic certification of Adult Day Centers."

**MOTION: Accept minutes as corrected. Passed.** (Joan Staley/Kay Kirkbride)

### Announcements

- Introductions were made around the table.
- Marilyn went to Claggett Creek Middle School to hear about children, electronics, and health hazards.
- This will be Elaine's last official meeting since she will not be seeking reappointment to the Commission.

### Update (Kay Kirkbride)

Kay has been attending the Homecare Commission (HCC) rules workgroup. The workgroup is proposing that Homecare Workers receive background rechecks every two years. She and Morgen went over the Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR's) for Nursing Homes, Assisted Living Facilities, etc., to see what their criminal recheck requirements are. Only Adult Foster Homes require automatic annual criminal record checks for staff.

It was decided that Kay would bring the suggestion from the subcommittee to the full commission that that the Commission propose an annual criminal history clearance recheck based on the vulnerability of clients enrolled in this program.

## **Lifespan Respite Care (Lee Girard)**

Lee provided a handout regarding the Lifespan Respite Program and how the funding was now figured. The monetary allocation is now based on population. Since there has been a decrease in funding the State Unit on Aging had a workgroup session which decided what components would be now be required and what would be optional since there will be a new competitive solicitation grant application process.

Judy Bowen will be meeting with Washington to discuss a possible interstate family caregiver project.

## **Agenda Items for Next Meeting (3/22/07)**

- Invite Jan Karlen to come and discuss how many Alzheimer's care facilities there are and how many take Medicaid.
- Invite someone to discuss the funding for the LTC Ombudsman program.

**Adjourn: 10:25**