

## MINUTES

FULL BOARD MEETING  
COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS CONFERENCE ROOM  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 22, 2014 – 10:30 A.M.

### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jane Hall, Dennis Claramunt, Neil Smith, Eddie Moore, Ted Mattison, Mack Durham, Ed Elliott, Rufus Foster, Henry Jolly, Joe Ross, Grady Butler, Joe Dill, Butch Kirven, Don Godbey, Lillian Flemming, Gay Sprague, Willis Meadows, Thomas Alexander, Bennie Cunningham, Bob Winchester, Bill Brockington, Larry Bagwell, Margaret Thompson, Mike Forrester, Dale Culbreth, O'Neal Mintz, Elbert Tillerson, Jan Scalisi, and Elaine Harris.

### GUEST PRESENT:

Neil Collins, Pickens County.

### STAFF PRESENT:

Steve Pelissier, Doug Burns, Don Zimmer, Karen Carter, Chip Bentley, Dirk Reis, Cricket Jenkins, David Shellhorse, Chris Wafer, Ginny Bryant, Kim Bridges, and Debbie Courson.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hall. The invocation was offered by Mr. Tillerson. On motion by Mr. Mattison, seconded by Mr. Dill, the minutes of the June 27, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved.

### Recognition for Five Years of Service

Chair Hall recognized Kim Bridges, a Long Term Care Ombudsman, who recently celebrated her 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary with ACOG.

**Upstate Community Care Transitions (UCCTC) Program**

Chris Wafer, the UCCTC project coordinator, discussed this pilot program that ACOG is participating in with four Upstate Hospitals. She stated that the purpose of this program is to provide assistance to seniors who are released from hospitals by providing resources that allow them to remain in their community and to avoid re-admission. Ms. Wafer stated that this program has recently received national recognition for its performance.

**Appalachian Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) 2014 Progress Report and Update**

Mr. Shellhorse gave an update on the CEDS progress report and updates. He stated that this document is a requirement of the U.S. Economic Development Administration that provides an overview of economic development priorities in a region. ACOG is that designated planning agency for our region. ACOG is responsible for producing the CEDS, which is a five-year plan identifying economic development priorities, along with annual progress reports. The Board members were provided with a copy of the updated CEDS and will take action at its September meeting.

**Update on Regional Aging Services**

Mr. Pelissier stated that all agreements are in place with several partner organizations to provide services to seniors across the region.

There being no further action, the Board adjourned at 12:00 noon.

  
Chair

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MEETING.