

## **A G E N D A**

**APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2017 – 10:30 A.M.  
COUNCIL BOARD ROOM  
GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

- 10:30 A.M.      I.      Call to Order – **Mr. Dennis Claramunt**, Chair
- A.      Invocation
  - B.      Introduction of New Members and Guests
  - C.      Approval of March 24, 2017, Board Minutes (Section 1, Board Packet)
  - D.      March 31, 2017 Financial Statement [**Information Only**] (Section 2, Board Packet)

- 10:35            II.      Presentation of a Plaque to Former ACOG Board Member Gaye Sprague in Appreciation of Her Service – **Mr. Dennis Claramunt**, Chair

- 10:40            III.      Ten at the Top – **Mr. Dean Hybl**, Executive Director, Ten at the Top (Section 3, Board Packet)

Briefing:                      Ten at the Top is a collaborative organization focusing on a ten-county area in the Upstate that includes the ACOG's six counties. Its mission is to foster trust and collaboration through partnerships and cooperation that impacts economic vitality and quality of life across Upstate South Carolina. Mr. Hybl will provide an overview of the organization and its current initiatives.

**Board Action Required:**      No

11:10 IV. SCDOT Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Persons with Disabilities Grant Program – **Mr. Chip Bentley**, Deputy Director (Section 4, Board Packet)

Briefing: This federal program, which is administered through the SCDOT in South Carolina, provides grant funds to organizations for providing enhanced mobility to its target clients. In accordance with an agreement between ACOG and SCDOT, the COG Board of Directors submits a ranking of projects in the region to the state for funding considerations. Mr. Bentley will present a recommendation from the Regional Transportation Committee for Board action.

**Board Action Required:** Yes

11:20 V. Appalachian 2017 Area Plan for Aging Services – **Mr. Joe Dill**, Chair, Regional Aging Advisory Committee; and **Mr. Tim Womack**, Aging Services Director

PLEASE NOTE: A link to the Plan is located on the home page of the ACOG website at [www.scacog.org](http://www.scacog.org). To request a printed copy of the plan, please e-mail Debbie Courson at [courson@scacog.org](mailto:courson@scacog.org), or call the ACOG receptionist at (864) 242-9733. Also, printed copies will be available at the board meeting.

Briefing: The Area Plan for Aging Services is a federally required document for area agencies on aging. The plan addresses service priorities, organizational structure, and policies and procedures for service provision. The Regional Aging Advisory Committee will provide a recommendation concerning the adoption of the plan.

**Board Action Required:** Yes

11:30 VI. Update on the Veterans Self Directed Care Program – **Mr. Tim Womack**, Aging Services Director

Briefing: When this new program was presented to the Board in January, members expressed tremendous enthusiasm for it but were concerned with the low number of participants. Since that time, the number of participants has increased rapidly and the program has further developed. Mr. Womack will provide an update on this initiative.

**Board Action Required:** No

- 11:35 VII. 2017 Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program – **Mr. Tim Womack**, Aging Services Director (Section 5, Board Packet)
- Briefing: Each summer the COG provides vouchers to seniors to use for purchases at farmers markets. In 2017 the COG is adding Cherokee County to this program, which also includes Greenville, Pickens, and Spartanburg counties. Board members who are interested in helping to distribute vouchers are welcome. A schedule of distribution centers and information to sign up to volunteer are included in Section 5 of the Board Packet.
- Board Action Required: No**
- 11:40 VIII. South Carolina Legislative Report – **Ms. Brooke Ferguson**, Economic Development Director
- Briefing: Ms. Ferguson will provide a report on the 2017 South Carolina legislative session, emphasizing items of interest to local governments.
- Board Action Required: No**
- 11:50 IX. 2017-18 ACOG Board Committee and Committee Chair Assignments – **Mr. Dennis Claramunt**, Chair
- Briefing: Mr. Claramunt will announce committee assignments for a term running from May 2017 through April 2018
- 11:55 X. Executive Director’s Report – **Mr. Steve Pelissier**, Executive Director
- 12:00 Noon XI. Adjourn