

Social Services Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

5/3/2022



Call to Order

The monthly meeting of the Social Services Advisory Board was called to order at approximately 4:00pm on 5/3/2022 at the Sunrise Senior Center.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Sharon Baron-Present
Abdul Basit-Present
Olivia Coleman-Absent
Nadine Gedon-Present

Justin Wells-Present
Karla Sobenes Desme-Present
Harvey Soufrine-Present

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from April 2022 meeting were approved.

Open Discussion

No open discussion.

Presentation

Paul Jaquith from from Mental Health America of Southeast Florida came to speak about the various programs offered through the organization. Recently, Mental Health America of Southeast Florida merged organizations with Florida Initiative to Suicide Prevention. Services offered include suicide prevention, suicide post-vention, programs for adults with varying diagnosis, programs for children and families, and programs for grandparents that are raising their grandchildren. Mental Health America of Southeast Florida is a great place to find resources for local services and they provide an A-Z guidebook.

New Business

Kathy Osborn reported Social Services numbers for the month of April:

Fee waivers: 11, 3 denied

Medical Transportation: 4

Food Pantry: 12

Total Contacts: 153

EAF: 2

Sharon Baron spoke about the Volunteer Appreciation event and how great it was.

Harvery Soufrine sought advice on a potentially dangerous situation with a neighbor.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:00pm. Next meeting will take place on August 2, 2022 at 4:00pm.

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