

**MINUTES**  
**ORANGE COUNTY NURSING HOME COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**March 1, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Teri Driscoll, at 5:30 pm.

The following members were present: Teri Driscoll, Chair, Sandra Nash, Vibeke Talley, Susie Deter, Jerry Schreiber, Glenda Floyd, Jerry Gregory, Molly Stein, Mary Fraser, Dept. of Aging and Inas AL-Rawas, our new Ombudsman, Carolyn Pennington, training Ombudsman and guest, Mia Burrough, County Commissioner.

The minutes of the January 5, 2015 meeting was approved.

Inas AL-Rawas, our new Ombudsman who is now responsible for Orange County was introduced by Carolyn Pennington who is the Ombudsman for Moore and Johnson Counties. A discussion was held about the work of the Ombudsman legally, formally and informally with patients, families and nursing home administrators and employees. The goal of the Ombudsman is to handle problems and concerns immediately with those affected.

Site visit reports for Brookshire and Signature were given and accepted. Site visits still need to happen at Carol Woods and Carolina Pointe before the end of March.

Report of Mary Fraser, DOA :

A Direct Care Award will be given for the second year to caregivers nominated by patients, families, and employees from the county nursing homes. The deadline for these awards is March 31 and the award event is May 18.

Dr. Bill Thomas will be giving an afternoon seminar on April 21, 2016 called "Disrupt Dementia" as well as an evening seminar. More information will be forthcoming.

A seminar on Dying with Dignity will be held at the Friday Center on March 17, 2016 from 4-7 pm. This concerns the issues of doctor assisted death of seriously ill patients.

Reorganization for the coming year for the committee was held. Teri Driscoll will be Chairperson; Vibeke Tally will be Vice-Chairperson and Sandra Nash will be Secretary.

Susie Deter and Molly Stein membership terms will expire at the end of June but they have agreed to be reappointed.

Maria Hardin was reappointed through December 2016.

Our next meeting will be held on May 3, 2016.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Nash, Secretary