

MINUTES
ORANGE COUNTY NURSING HOME COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
September 1, 2015

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

The following members were present: Teri Driscoll, chair, Jerry Ann Gregory, Vicki Barringer, Bill Crittenden, Sandy Nash, Maria Hardin, Molly Stein, Mary Fraser, Dept. of Aging and Charlotte Terwilliger, Ombudsman.

Molly Stein was welcomed as our newest member. She will take her training later this month @ Triangle J. She will be assigned to visit at all of our sites for at least one quarter after which she will get her regular assignment.

Two new applicants interested in filling vacancies on the committee were introduced: Martha Bell and Glenda Floyd. They gave some background information about themselves and explained their interest in joining. Their applications had been given to the members with their packets. One appointment, Martha Bell, will be presented for approval in October and Glenda Floyd in November.

Mary Ann Peter has resigned from the Board after many years of service. She will be greatly missed.

The minutes of the July 2015 meeting was approved.

Site Visit Reports:

Carolina Pointe: Report will be reworked and shared with their Administrator and then presented for approval in November.

Brookshire: Report was received and approved.

Report of Charlotte Terwilliger, Ombudsman: One of our former nursing homes, Britthaven, has been acquired by a new company, Liberty Homecare. More information will be forthcoming. October is "Patient Rights Month". A Virtual Dementia class has been given. "Engaging Residents with Dementia" seminar will be given on October 21 at Triangle J. A project will be initiated for emergency planning.

Report of Mary Fraser, Department of Aging: A report was given on the winners for 2015 Long Term Care Quality Service Awards to be presented later this evening at the County Commissioners meeting. The subject for the competition was "Implementing Music in My Mind." The nursing home winners are Carol Woods and Brookshire. Members of assisted living facilities and home health agencies and day cares also received awards. Next year's criteria for the award will be "Palliative Care for Comfort and Pleasure". Trainings will be given during the year for direct care workers.

Our members' site visit assignments will be kept until January 2016 for their visitation schedule and then rotated for better coverage. There will be three on each subcommittee and alternates available.

The next meeting will be held on January 5, 2016 at 5:30 PM at the Seymour Center in Chapel Hill.

The meeting was adjourned at 7 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Nash, Secretary