

**Commission on Aging**  
**City of Hartford Department of Health and Human Services**  
**Community & Senior Services Division**  
**830 Maple Avenue**  
**Hartford, CT**

**MINUTES**

NOVEMBER 13, 2012, 2012

1. Call to Order 1:07 – Chairperson, Commissioner John Nelson, presiding.
2. Moment of silence.
3. Roll Call: Commissioners Present - Nelson, Hartie, Riviera, Reese and Cordner. Commissioners Excused: None. Commissioners Absent: Bicking, Myrick and Wallace-Jenkins. Staff person present, Ronnie Tate. QUORUM ACHIEVED.
4. Minutes of October 2012 meeting approved with the following corrections
  - A) Item #5 should have a Roman Numeral VII: Initiate a TRIAD program in Hartford.
  - B) Item #7 should have the Feb. meeting held at Institute for the Hispanic Family.
  - C) Item #10 New Business: Elby Gonzales-Schwapp will be invited to the Nov. Meeting.
5. Chairperson's Report:

The Are You Okay brochure and DVD are not yet ready. Progress continues. The State of CT annual TRIAD conference was cancelled due to weather storm. Also cancelled was the State Commission on Aging conference “Livable Communities/Aging in Place. Today's conference by the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving focused on changing demographics in Ct for the foreseeable future and its fiscal and decision-making ramifications. The Chair notified Commissioners Cordner, Rivera and Nelson that their appointments to the commission are up for renewal in January 2013. Nelson reminded the commission that he would not seek reappointment for a third term.
6. Goals for 2012-2013

FILL CoA VACANCIES. MOTION by Commissioner Rivera, seconded by Commissioner Reese: The Chair will write to Commissioners with many unexcused absences to ask why and await a response. MOTION CARRIED BE BETTER KNOWN. Newly designed city website will have a page for the commission.

BUILD BRIDGES TO OTHER COMMISSIONS. Commissioner Bicking absent. No report. The Chair was encouraged to reach out to Commissioner Bicking for an update.

MEET AT ALL SENIOR CENTERS THIS YEAR. Goal on track

ANNUAL REPORT IN JUNE. Goal on track

PLAN AGING IN PLACE CONFERENCE: Action postponed until after the State Commission on Aging's similar state-wide conference.

INITIATE A HARTFORD TRIAD. Commissioner Nelson reported he has found a local group (through Leadership Greater Hartford) to most likely take on this challenge with assist from the CoA.

7. The only Commission Committee report was from Commissioner Reese who advised us on health care changes coming through the NICHE program at St. Francis Hospital. This is in response to the Affordable Health Care Act.
8. Unfinished Business: Because Elby Gonzales-Schwapp was unable to join us this month, she will be re-invited for December.
9. New Business: None
10. Meeting adjourned at 2:15 P.M.
11. Next scheduled meeting is at 1:00 pm, Tuesday, December 11, 2012. at the Southend Wellness Center.

John Nelson, reporting