

# FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM



## ADVISORY COUNCIL

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### MINUTES

*December 5, 2007*

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Trini Acosta  
Nelda Antunez  
Celia Caldera  
Santiago Gonzalez  
Romana Grijalva  
Rocio Lozano  
Ruben Rodríguez  
Maria L. Elena Villanueva

#### **ABSENT**

Armida Arredondo  
Frank Lopez  
Elias Moreno  
Maritza Ruley

#### **STAFF**

Beatriz Rivera  
Rosario Ortiz  
Janet Gonzalez

Quorum met.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Santiago Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m.

#### **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes for the previous meeting were reviewed, no correction or discussions made, motion made by Ruben Rodriguez to approve, Romana Grijalva seconded, motion passed.

#### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Santiago Gonzalez welcomed everyone and introduced himself. The council members and staff also introduced themselves. Maria Valdivia was unable to attend meeting.

## **COORDINATOR'S REPORT**

There are currently 134 active foster grandparents. There will be an orientation held in January to bring new foster grandparents. The training consists of 40 hours and it is held in a two week period. There are at least 76 people in the waiting list. The program needs at least 25 new foster grandparents.

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

None to report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The program is still preparing for the banquet. This year students from Jane Hambric will go and sing carols to the volunteers. There will also be entertainment from the Temptations; they are group of senior citizens. Rocio Lozano was able to provide entertainment from a disco. He will be providing the services for free.

The banquet program has been printed and only two ads were sent. One from Texas Tech and the other from Socorro Headstart. The invitations have also been mailed and the FGs received them on the in-service day.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The program has two new volunteer sites. Travis and Garcia Elementary. The program is also working with Goodwill Industries at Ysleta High School. There is one FG assigned to the school and works with teenagers at risk after school.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The recognition banquet will be on Friday, December 14, 2007 from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Trini Acosta to adjourn meeting Ruben Rodriguez seconded, motion passed, meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

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Reviewed by Maria I. Valdivia  
*Coordinator*

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Approved by Santiago Gonzalez  
*Program Advisory Council President*

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