MRPC MOBILITY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY GROUP MEETING MINUTES

April 19, 2016 at 12:00 Noon 4 Industrial Drive, St. James, MO.

Present: Amy Heyer, Chairperson (Metro Business College), Harold Selby, Vice Chairperson (City of St. James), Trudy Matlock (Dept. Mental Health), Marsha Ray (CMAAA), Nick Hughey (Washington County Health), Jan Boatman (Senior Companions), Darin Pryor (City of Rolla), Scott Schaffer (CMAAA), Don Brackhahn (MRPC Representing Seniors), Kenneth Sego (DAV Veterans Transportation), Anne McClay (City of Rolla PWD), Jim Brinkman, Dan McKinney (Herman Area District Hospital), Chaz Nickolaus (MODDC), Christy Evers, (MODOT) (Called In)

Staff Present: Holly Kreienkamp, Mobility Manager and Donna Ridenhour, Secretary

Call to order: Amy Heyer, MMAG President, called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

Introduction: Amy Heyer, asked each member of the group to introduce themselves and to state what county or entity they represented.

Approval of Minutes: Reviewed meeting minutes of March 15, 2016. Motion was made by Don Brackhahn, seconded by Darin Pryor to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Business Reports:

Client/Ridership/Transportation Provider/Program Promotional Activities Update: Holly Kreienkamp updated the committee on the Mobility Management Progress Report by Month. A handout was given to each member. Holly goes out to different places to talk with people to make them aware of the program. Holly set up a booth at the Rolla PCRMC Health Fair and Senior AAA to hand out literature and to answer any questions anyone should have about the mobility program. Holly would come to any city meetings to explain the program and maybe some of those people have family members that have trouble getting around. New brochures have been printed and Holly will give out some so maybe the committee could leave some at city tables for people to look at. That would be a good way to get the word out.

Holly discussed the Mobility Management Progress Report by Month. This report shows an increase in transportation providers added by county, MORIDE calls received, and marketing presentations.

Holly discussed the MORIDES Usage Statistics report with the committee. There have been numerous increases from May 2015 to April 2016 regarding hits and visits to the website.

Holly provided an update on the Schwan's Cares Fundraiser. The first 90 days of the fundraiser has ended. To date the fundraiser has earned \$231. The fundraiser has been extended for an additional 6 months. During this period the amount that Schwan's Cares will continue to give back a percentage of sales for all orders placed. The amount that Schwan's will give back has reduced from 40% to 5% for all orders placed.

Mobility Plan Voucher Program – MPVP: The group discussed income guidelines and participant qualifications for the MPVP. A handout from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development showing income limits from seven different counties was distributed. Jan Boatright, Senior Companion Program, brought information showing the schedules of income eligibility levels for participation in the Foster Grandparent Program and Senior Companion Program. The group voted in favor of utilizing income eligibility levels based on 200% above poverty guidelines. As per request from the group during the March meeting, Holly presented a copy of the FTA C 9070.1G page defining seniors as an individual who is 65 or older. The group voted in favor of using the FTA standards to define the age of a senior. Grants and Fundraisers: The Transit Planning 4 All (TP4A) grant was completed and submitted on March 18, 2016. Notice was received that the application for Inclusive Transportation Planning Grant was successfully received. MRPC anticipates a final response from the TP4A grant by the end of May 2016. In addition, notice was received that the application passed the initial review and had been forwarded on for further review and to be scored. The mission of this application is to further enhance the quality of life for residents of the Meramec Region. If awarded the TP4A grant, MRPC along with a group of older adults and people with disabilities will work within the region to assess the need to develop new transportation routes to food pantries and senior centers.

MRPC was not able to complete the Walmart State Giving Program grant application that opened April 4, 2016. At this time (Walmart Funding Cycles 1 & 2) applications submitted were only accepted for Walmart Focused Giving

areas (Hunger Relief & Healthy Eating). The application process will reopen June 27th (Walmart Funding Cycle 3). Applications can be submitted during the Walmart Funding Cycle 3 for both Focused Giving and Community Engagement areas. The Walmart Foundation's State Giving Program plays an essential role in the Foundation's mission to create opportunities so people can live better. The program provides grants to 501(c) (3) organizations ranging from \$25,000 to \$200,000 depending on the type of program.

The Community Foundation of the Ozarks (CFO) fund is in place. Donors can make online donations or gifts at https://secure3.4agoodcause.com/cf-ozarks/gift.aspx?id=1. When they go to this link, they can opt to make a one-time gift or a planned gift. You need to indicate the donation is for MRPC Mobility Management Voucher Program Fund. This will **not** be listed on the list of funds.

The group discussed additional grant prospects that they may know of in addition to companies that would be good to contact for potential funding opportunities.

Items of Interest: Harold Selby informed the group about the new Veteran's Clinic that will be constructed in St. James, MO. The clinic will be 10,000 sq. ft. They are breaking ground to start the project this week. The project is expected to be completed by the end of September 2016.

The next MMAG meeting will be May 10, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Darin Pryor, seconded by Harold Selby for the meeting to be adjourned. Meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.