



## **BETTER LIVING FOR SENIORS MONTHLY MEETING**

May 21, 2014

### **Board Members Present:**

Cindy Clouse  
Kim Hooten  
Tamara Rowland  
Greg West  
Dorene Yates

### **MEETING LOCATION:**

- Our location and breakfast was hosted at Palm Terrace of Lakeland, located at 1919 Lakeland Hills Boulevard.

### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

- The meeting was called to order by Cindy Clouse, President at 9:16 a.m.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A motion was made that the minutes from the April 2014 Meeting, now posted on the website at [www.blfspolk.com](http://www.blfspolk.com), be approved. The motion was seconded, a vote taken and the minutes were approved unanimously with no changes.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- Net Income: \$1,339.01
- April Expenses: \$225.13
- Account Balance \$14,680.23

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

- Members were encouraged to put their events on the BLFS calendar.
- Kim Hooten reported that BLFS has 208 current active members.
- BLFS window clings have been handed out for the past two months, members can now display our coalition proudly.
- A motion was made that the treasurer's report be approved. The motion was seconded, a vote taken and the report was approved unanimously.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **Education Committee:** Ashley Vogel, Chair of the Educational Committee, gave a report of their activities; they recently spoke at Victory Church and Wel Med.

### **SPEAKERS AND LOCATIONS:**

- Polk County Board of County Commissioner's Office, 2135 Marshall Edward Drive, Bartow, FL is the location for the June 18, 2014 meeting. The subject is "What Color is Your Personality."
- The July meeting is a networking event and will be held at Circle B Ranch.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA:**

- Cindy reminded people look for the Face Book page and tag themselves as well as like the page.

### **GUESTS AND MEMBER INTRODUCTION**

- Greg West was the MC for the member introduction, giving each member and new guest an opportunity to share their services, agencies, businesses and upcoming events.

### **HOST**

- Jill Dobson, Director of Marketing at Palm Terrace, gave a welcome and introduced the Palm Terrace community. Thank you for the delicious breakfast!

### **GUEST SPEAKER**

- Today's program was Medicare Untangled presented by a panel: Becky McIntyre, Chief Clinical Officer of Good Shepherd Hospice; Jill Dobson, Director of Marketing at Palm Terrace; and Paul Hooton, Regional Director of Business Development at Comprehensive Home Health. To summarize: Paul untangled the details of what Medicare Part A and Medicare Part B covers. Jill untangled the difference between "In Patient" admission and "Observation" for the '3 midnight hospital stay' which qualifies a patient for 100 days of Medicare coverage (20 days at full coverage and the remainder of the days costing the patient a \$152.00 co-pay). It is possible that Medicaid may pay the co-pay if the patient makes application. Becky explained how Medicare pays for Hospice care, and how it is provided for patients who have a 6 month diagnosis.

### **Adjournment**

- A motion to adjourn was made; it was seconded. A vote was taken and the motion was carried unanimously.

*Respectfully submitted by Dorene Yates, Secretary, on May 23, 2014.*