



MEETING MINUTES

Brevard Council

DISTRICT 18

2/05/2026

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

AGING MATTERS, 3600 W KING ST, COCOA, FL 32926

COUNCIL MEMBERS			
KURT ANDERSON (OMB IN TRAINING)	PRESENT	JOANNE VEGUILLA, DOM	PRESENT
JEAN CRANTON	NOT PRESENT	OLGA PARGAS, QUALITY CONTROL ANALYST	PRESENT
PATRICIA HAMILTON	PRESENT	LAUREN FARAGO, QUALITY CONTROL ANALYST	PRESENT
MARY C HANDLIN	NOT PRESENT		
WILLIAM HARWICK	PRESENT		
KELLY KOWAL	PRESENT		
VICKI NORTHUP	NOT PRESENT		
GRACE PALMER ALLEN	PRESENT		

GUESTS	
NAME	AGENCY

OPEN SESSION

- Called to order at 10:00 AM
 - Open Session Statement
- Quorum Established: Yes X No
 Minutes Approved: Yes X No
 (11/6/2025)

UPDATES/REPORTS

Council Chair, Patricia Hamilton

- Opening statement read to all in attendance
- Quorum was established; 11/06/2026 minutes approved.

District Ombudsman Manager, Joanne Vequilla

- The District Manager announced that Diandra Taylor sent a survey by email to volunteers to share ideas for the next conference that will take place in April.
- The volunteers were also informed about mandatory training that will take place in Tallahassee during the last week of February for the District Managers and Regional Managers.

- The district manager reminded the volunteers that nursing homes must be visited monthly. She also let them know that she would send the list of assigned facilities by email and ask them to let her know if everything is in order.
- The District Manager encouraged volunteers to join Teams on Tuesday afternoons to clarify any doubts or questions they have about Get Care.

TRAINING

- Went through the council meeting training PowerPoint and finished with a role play about a real case scenario.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Every Tuesday at 2:00 pm Let's Wing it, Get Care Technical Assistance through Teams takes place.

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM