



Michael Phillips
State Ombudsman

**MEETING MINUTES
SOUTHWEST DISTRICT 10
8/10/2021
Punta Gorda Library, 401 Shreve St., Punta Gorda, FL**

OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVES			
Michael Alexander	Present <input type="checkbox"/>	Lynne Bragg	Present <input type="checkbox"/>
Barbara Brayton	Present <input type="checkbox"/>	Kathleen Carbone	Present <input type="checkbox"/>
Joanne Crain	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Antonio Flores	Present <input type="checkbox"/>
Kaori Green	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jo Hanson	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Eileen Hardigan	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Valerie Healey	Present <input type="checkbox"/>
Carl Hoke	Present <input type="checkbox"/>	Alan Horowitz	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Marilyn Kane	Present <input type="checkbox"/>	Pete Marro	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Carol McCarron	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Susan McDevitt	Present <input type="checkbox"/>
Leslie Nielsen	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Karen Pratt-Beals	Present <input type="checkbox"/>
Vana Prewitt	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Larry Prohs	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Patricia Rutherford	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jonathan Schultz	Present <input type="checkbox"/>
Deborah Shapiro	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	M. Patricia Shehorn	Present <input type="checkbox"/>
Susan Steacy	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ellen Wolfe	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Annette McComas, Regional Ombudsman Manager	Present <input type="checkbox"/>	Rita Lavorgna, Administrative Assistant	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

GUEST(S)
Tina Figliuolo, CEO, Homeless Coalition of Charlotte County

OPEN SESSION

- Called to order at 10:15 am Quorum Established: Yes No
- Open Session Statement Minutes Approved: Yes No

TRAINING

- Presentation by Tina Figliuolo, CEO, Homeless Coalition of Charlotte County.

UPDATES/REPORTS

- District Ombudsman Manager Report - Rita Lavorgna, Administrative Assistant
 - Welcome extended
 - Regional Manager interviewed 4 individuals for the District Manager position. She will provide an update on progress upon her return from vacation.
 - 4 Trainees have just about completed their certification training.
 - There are 4 more individuals in various stages of preparation for certification training.
 - Approximate 54% of facilities districtwide have been assessed. Any remaining assessments should be submitted to the office by September 15, 2021, to allow time for QA and data input before the end of our yearly cycle.
 - At our next public meeting in November, we will be conducting the election for Council Chairperson.



FLORIDA OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM

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- State Council Representative: Vana Prewitt
 - o Next State Council meeting will be held August 25 and 26, 2021.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- August birthdays: Joanne Crain, Ellen Wolfe, Jonathan Schultz.
- Next month's closed meeting will be held Tuesday, September 14, 2021, at the Punta Gorda Library.
- September Guest Speaker: Jan Golembiski, Dementia Resource Navigator, from Alvin Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center in Lee County. She will speak on communicating and investigative techniques when working with Alzheimer's residents in long-term care.
- Statewide Ombudsman Educational Conference will be held on October 26-29, 2021, at the Rosen Plaza Hotel, Altamonte Springs, FL. Notify the office if you plan to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

- Open Session adjourned at 11:35 am

CLOSED SESSION

This portion of the meeting is confidential and closed to the public. See § 400.0077(2), F.S.

- Called to order at 11:35 am
- Closed Session Statement
- Adjourned at 12:00 pm