

Volusia Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD)
Steering Committee Meeting Summary – 12 December 2017

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Frank Bruno, Chairman.

Members in attendance:

Pat White, Carmen Hall, Lynn Kennedy, Jason Dominquez, Favnocsh Sharidesi, Charlie Howell, Jeanne Rademacher, Frank Bruno, David Troxler, Jim Clements, Frank Lewandowski, Clay Jackson

Guests in attendance:

Ashley Tye, Steve Jaramillo

Mr. Frank Bruno welcomed everyone and noted that on January 17 we will have COAD elections at the General Membership meeting. Frank asked us to introduce ourselves and explain what we do for the benefit of our emergency management guests from Georgia.

Mr. Dave Troxler explained the purpose of VIND.

Mr. Jim Clements talked briefly about CERT.

Ms. Lynn Kennedy talked about Thrive By Five and One Voice for Volusia.

Ms. Jeanne Rademacher spoke about how the United Way helped in Hurricane Irma response particularly with the Crisis Cleanup data entry.

Mr. Clay Jackson explained what the Community Action Agency did to support Hurricane Irma response and recovery.

Ms. Carmen Hall spoke of how the county Community Services used affordable housing grant funds to help low income individuals repair their homes.

Ms. Pat White wrapped it up by talking briefly about how various organizations pull together to help in response.

Mr. Frank Bruno talked about the County Proclamations praising various organizations for their role in Hurricane Irma response.

Mr. Bruno led a discussion about the January General Membership Meeting. We need to get the message out to as many organizations as possible. We need to reach out to Volunteer Florida (Ken), chambers, county contacts, every municipality, colleges and universities, and hospitals. Mr. Bruno will ask Brown and Brown for insurance representatives.

Mr. Bruno opened the meeting for discussions on shelters, food and special needs for our Georgia guests.

The meeting adjourned at 11:09 AM.