



**AAA ADVISORY COUNCIL  
SONOMA ACCESS COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION (SACTS)  
CONSORTIUM MEETING**

Friday, October 14, 2016  
Carnelian Room  
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Jen Arent, Lea Black, Dorothy Fried, Terry Kelley

**Absent:** Ruth Robeson, Rabon Saip

**Guests:** Michele Alba (Vintage House), Richard Cowart (Cloverdale Senior Center), Jodi Curtis (Sonoma County Transit), Jon Gaffney (Marin Transit), Lauren Garibaldi (iRIDE-Petaluma Peoples Service Center [PPSC]), Stan Gow, Yuri Koslen (Santa Rosa City Bus), Gerry LaLonde-Berg (HSD-Economic Assistance), Christine Maley-Grubl (Metropolitan Transportation Commission [MTC]), Tim Miller (West County Community Services [WCCS]), Dan Needham (Earle Baum Center), Sandy Piotter (Friends In Sonoma Helping [F.I.S.H.]), Tony Senese (Whistle Stop Wheels), Drennen Shelton (MTC), Dana Turrey (Sonoma County Transportation Authority),

**Staff:** Rhiannon Coxon, Victoria Gonzalez-Allen

- 1) **Welcome and Introductions** (Kelley) meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m., all were welcomed and introductions were made
- 2) **Approval of September 9, 2016 Minutes** (Kelley) Fried/Black MSC all in favor to approve minutes, motion carried forward
- 3) **SACTS Members and Provider Updates** (Kelley/All)
  - Gaffney (Marin Transit), in process of analyzing mobility management program, will be making changes to a more user friendly platform
  - Curtis (Sonoma County Transit), has two new vans with capacity for up to 6 wheelchairs and finalizing a grant for more paratransit; enhancing fixed routes to coordinate with SMART stations; going to Board of Supervisors in December for approval of a pilot program
  - Senese (Whistle Stop Wheels), run paratransit in Marin also contract service throughout Marin county
  - Giribaldi (iRIDE-PPSC), averaging two new clients per week and are using travel vouchers
  - Alba (Vintage House), making good use of travel vouchers in Sonoma; working on trying to develop collaboration with more local providers
  - Cowart (Cloverdale) is new to the program, implementing travel voucher program and preparing for volunteer driver recruitment
  - LaLonde-Berg (HSD-EA), issues bus tickets; the department is opening an office at the north end of Petaluma
  - Needham (Earle Baum Center), using the travel voucher program when fixed route /paratransit aren't available; Uber has been most accessible

- Kelley (Sebastopol Senior Center), challenges with voucher program, only one cab in Sebastopol, Monte Rio, and Guerneville; will pilot the new Lyft Concierge dispatching software program
- Koslen (Santa Rosa City), implementing Re-Imagining City Bus plan, scheduled to launch between January and March of 2017

4) **Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Presentation** (Drennen Shelton & Christine Maley-Grubl)

- MTC's Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services and transportation Plan Overview
- Timeline for updates to Plan
- How the Plan is used

5) **Group Discussion and Feedback** (Shelton & Maley-Grubl/All)

- Reviewed Gaps and Solutions
- Offered input on proposed solutions and identified gaps:
  - SACTS doing progressive work, well positioned to receive additional funding if available (MTC)
  - MTC guidance on implementation activities with Coordinated Plan chapter 8;
    - Regional approach; not descriptive on mobility management as a definition but includes:
      - 1) information & referral center county based
      - 2) county wide travel training
      - 3) enhanced ADA certification process that involves in person base on functional use
      - 4) coordinating other resources, such as driver training, getting vehicles at same shop, bulk purchasing of tires/fuel; this would free up some 5310 Caltrans grant funding as well
    - Continue conversations how we prioritize funding for county; meet with or share information with elected officials; show up to MTC Commission meeting to increase awareness; local decision makers should know what our needs are and what we are doing
  - Group was advised to attend MTC meetings; schedule can be found at [mtc.ca.gov](http://mtc.ca.gov)
  - MTC will accept input until Plan is adopted in March; draft Plan in January; Review the Plan and make sure committee items are included; contact Shelton if not
  - Next Caltrans 5310 grant will be an electronic grant data base. Recommend Santa Rosa coordinated effort, 3 years of funding, 2 years to fund what is awarded

6) **Wrap-Up, Next Steps and November meeting** (Kelley/All)

- Next AAA Advisory Council Transportation and Mobility Committee meeting scheduled for November 11, 2016 (Veterans Day-office closed), rescheduled for 11/4

7) **Adjourn** (Kelley) meeting adjourned at 2:14 pm

Next Meeting – Transportation and Mobility  
**Friday, November 4, 2016 1:00PM to 2:30PM**  
 Adult & Aging Services Division Office  
 Carnelian Room  
 3725 Westwind Blvd. Suite 101  
 Santa Rosa, CA

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