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AAA ADVISORY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, October 4, 2017

Topaz Room

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Present: Lea Black, Judith Eisen, Jim Redding, Ruth Robeson, Diane Spain

Absent: Terry Kelley

Staff: Ana Bagtas, Tracy Repp

Minutes: Victoria González-Allen

1. **WELCOME** (Eisen) – meeting called to order at 10:09 a.m. all welcomed.

2. **APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES:** (Eisen) (**ACTION**) Motion to approve the September 6, 2017, Executive Committee minutes. Spain/Robeson (MSC) to approve minutes with correction to add the word vice in front of chair on second bullet point of item #3; motion approved unanimously, with correction. AYE-5, NOES-0, no one abstained.

3. **CHAIR REPORT** (Eisen)

- 2017-18 Presentation Calendar Review – items of interest stated below:
 - Social Media
 - COTS
 - LGBTQI Coalition – Current project with Nancy Flaxman – schedule for October 18, Advisory Council meeting
 - My Care My Plan
 - Intergenerational
 - Osher Lifelong Learning Institute– SSU
 - Veterans Service Office
 - Linkages to Senior Housing
 - RSVP
 - Latino Service Providers
- Advisory Council At-Large Vacancy – Application Review – committee members declined application, requested further recruiting. Eisen requested advertisement in Press Democrat. Robeson will reach out to Latino contacts. Recruitment should include contacting Indian Health and La Luz.
- Advisory Council Gathering – previously known as the “Holiday Gathering”. Decided no holiday gathering due to busy schedules for everyone in December. Discussed having open-house social gatherings before Advisory Council meetings from Noon to 1PM, brown bag, bring your own lunch style.
- AAA Talking Points – AAA staff has created many versions of presentations and can take info to create talking points (reviewed Healdsburg Senior Advisory Committee PowerPoint presentation). Use for educating the community, policy makers, elected officials, boards, commissions, health care entities (services are cost saving), etc. to highlight senior issues and

possible sustainable funding for senior services. Talking points to include statistics of increase of senior population, fact sheet on AAA Advisory Council

4. STAFF REPORT (Bagtas/Repp)

- State level, Maintenance of Effort (MOE) for IHSS is still uncertain as to possible County contribution. Impact increases each fiscal year. California State Association of Counties (CSAC) is in discussion with the state.
- Karen Fies document on San Diego County meals on wheels program was distributed.
- Applied for Victims of Crime Acts (VOCA)/California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) grant for specialized emergency housing program funding. Grant was awarded commenced October 1, for \$575,000 over 3 years. Project includes Adult Protective Services (APS) social workers identifying victims of crime, at risk of homelessness, or are receiving services emergency shelter/housing.
- Applied for a Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP) grant; a joint application with Human Services Department Adult & Aging (AA) and Economic Assistance (EA) Divisions. It is a program that assists disabled individuals who are experiencing homelessness apply for disability benefit programs while also providing housing assistance.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Legislative (Robeson) – next presentation by Crista Chelemedos on how to advocate to elected officials. The committee will focus on one topic in FY 17/18: Long Term Care (LTC) Services and Support. Coxon has identified target topic points for next meeting.
- Planning & Funding (Spain – Pro Tem) – Meeting after Execs, discussing CDA contract for FY 17/18 among other items.
- Transportation & Mobility (Kelley – Pro Tem) – In process of writing a grant due October 20. Committee is interested in doing a feasibility study as to whether a Coordinated Transportation Services Agency (CTSA) would work in Sonoma County.

6. WORKGROUP REPORTS:

- Newsletter (Kelley) – no meeting – will reschedule to discuss on-line newsletter and number of printed copies
- Housing (Repp) – Not meeting in October, next meeting in November with a new day and time (second Tuesday has been problematic for some members).

7. REVIEW OF NOVEMBER 15, 2017 DRAFT ADVISORY COUNCIL AGENDA (Repp)

- To chair report add: PowerPoint talking points, Advisory Council gathering, and LGBTQI Coalition for presentations

Other business:

- Secretary to have note cards for condolences and get well etc.
- Suggested to adding in by-laws if a person is interested in chairing a committee, person should be on the committee a minimum of six months. Would require bylaw change; further discussion necessary.

8. ADJOURN (Eisen): meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m. motion Eisen; Black/Redding (MSC) to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: **Wednesday, November 1, 2017**