



**AAA ADVISORY COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Wednesday, April 5, 2017
Topaz Room
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Present: Terry Kelley, Sumedha Khanna, Bob Picker, Jim Redding, Ruth Robeson, Diane Spain

Absent: Judith Eisen (Member), Rabon Saip (Guest)

Staff: Gary Fontenot, Tracy Repp, Victoria González-Allen

1. **WELCOME:** (Robeson) meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. all were welcomed.
2. **APPROVAL OF MARCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES:** (Robeson) (**ACTION**) a motion to approve the March 1, 2017 Executive committee Minutes. Redding/Picker (MSC) to approve as presented; motion approved unanimously
3. **CHAIR REPORT** (Robeson)
 - Membership Update
 - One Member-at-Large position - Candidate interviewed for Executive Committee approval to bring to the 4/19/17 Advisory Council Meeting for election.
 - Terry Kelley reappointed by the Board of Supervisors on 4/4/17.
 - Timekeeping and Secretary Duty – Repp will be responsible.
 - AAA Website – (socoaaa.org); Need for education of site content as all committee agendas and minutes are posted as well as other resource information. Request to add newsletter and other events to site. Add to 4/19/17 Advisory Council agenda for full Council education.
 - Frequency of Presentations at Advisory Council Meetings – Discussed one presentation a month, alternating service providers and community information speakers. Bring to Advisory Council on 4/19/17.
 - Advisory Council Leadership Award at May Advisory Committee Meeting – Will bring to Advisory Council for input. Does not need to be given annually and does not have to be awarded to an Advisory Council member.
4. **STAFF REPORT:** (Fontenot/Repp)
 - Fontenot provided an update on the co-sponsored AB614 with c4a and Alzheimer's Association; \$100,000 to each of the 33 AAA's for an in house Alzheimer's Dementia Specialist.
 - On 4/4/17 Board of Supervisors authorized the Human Services Department Director to sign the MTC 5310 Grant application. Supervisor Gorin requested a meeting with AAA to further discuss Senior Transportation.
 - Elder Justice Coordinator, Donata Mikulik of Senior Advocacy Services is lead for June Elder Abuse Awareness campaign. Plan includes continuation of flag planting at senior centers marking instances of abuse, hanging "Notice A Senior In Crisis?" banners across selected city main streets, and A Close to Home article will be written to encourage neighbors to be neighborhood watch.
 - Repp reported that AAA has a Twitter account (@Sonoma3A). Staff is planning strategies for use.

- Human Services Department South County Center office opening on 4/26/17. Feature article in the Petaluma Argus Courier on 3/31/2017. Community open house on 5/31/17.
- New space at Adult & Aging office (former bank) opening mid-May - Veterans Service Office, Division Director, AAA and reception will be occupying space.
- On 5/16/17, Board of Supervisors to proclaim May as Older Americans Month. Gold Resolution will be presented at a future Advisory Council, preferably 5/17/17 meeting.
- Recruitment for Adult & Aging Division Director closes on 4/5/2017. Interviews begin 4/11/17 for a June start date. Fontenot advised he did not apply for the position.
- Year of the Senior (YOTS) (Repp) the Economic Development Board (EDB) is sponsoring the YOTS; there is a video available on Utube. The EDB has asked the AAA to lead a fall event. Repp advised the event will be themed Age Friendly Business. Repp will provide more information when available.
- On 5/18/17 Aging Together/Age Friendly Cities committee is holding an event - *Age Out Loud Age Outside* in conjunction with the Sonoma County Park's 50th Anniversary. Event includes discussion at Spring Lake Village, moving to Spring Lake Park for picnic, games, other activities.
- Senior Rally Day is 5/11/17 – 10AM to 3PM. Assessing interest from Council for potential carpool.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Legislative (Picker) – Completing topic presentations for selecting 2 topics of focus for FY 17/18. Decision at September meeting. Other focus is membership in California Senior Legislature (CSL). Marin CSL representative and Marin AAA Director Lee Pullen will be attending the 5/10/17 meeting to provide information.
 - *Khanna will reach out to Latino community to assess their needs and report back to the committee.*
- Planning and Funding (Spain) – presentation by Linkages at 4/5/17 meeting and review and approval of Area Plan Update for FY 17/18.
- Transportation and Mobility (Kelley) – discussion on how to most effectively distribute grant funds.

6. WORKGROUP REPORTS:

- Newsletter (Khanna) – Gathering information for the July newsletter. A press release of Year of the Senior events will be requested for inclusion in Senior Center's newsletters.
- Nominating Committee (Redding) – Meeting in April to create slate for election at 5/17/17 Advisory Council meeting.
- Housing (Repp) Arent is the chair; a meeting is scheduled on 4/11 from 1 -2 pm at 3600 Westwind.

7. Review April 19, 2017 Draft Advisory Council Agenda: (Repp)

- Add *Year of the Senior* activities under Project Updates in staff report; AAA website overview and discussion of ongoing Advisory Council Presentations. A motion to approve the April 19, 2017 Draft Advisory Council Agenda with changes, Saip/Khanna (MSC); motion approved unanimously.

8. OTHER

- Table at the Sonoma County Fair to include I & A, distribution of Senior Resource Guides and Newsletter.
- Senior Expo on 5/6/17 at the Finley Center, Persons Senior Wing sponsored by City of Santa Rosa.
- Changing Aging presentation will be attended by Coxon and Repp on 4/6/2017.

9. ADJOURN: 11:24 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 3, 2017