



AAA ADVISORY COUNCIL

TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, January 13, 2017
Carnelian Room
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Present: Jen Arent, Lea Black, Dorothy Fried, Terry Kelley, Ruth Robeson, Rabon Saip

Absent: none

Guest: Michele Alba (Vintage House), Dean Brittingham (Sebastopol Area Senior Center), Rich Cowart (Board Member, Cloverdale Senior Center), Rachel Ede (Santa Rosa City Bus), Lauren Garibaldi (IRide), Stan Gow, Elece Hempel (Petaluma People Services Center), Dan Needham (Earle Baum Center), Karl Parker (Lake Transit), April Pearson (Volunteer Wheels, Volunteer Center), Sandy Piotter (FISH of Sonoma Valley), Jani Sheppard (Cloverdale Senior Center), Dana Turrey (SCTA),

Staff: Norine Doherty, Tracy Repp, Victoria Gonzalez-Allen

1. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS** (Kelley) The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m., all were welcomed and introductions were made.
2. **APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 9, 2016 MINUTES** (Kelley) A motion to approve the December 9, 2016 minutes, Fried/Black MSC motion carried forward uncontested.
3. **DRIVING SAFELY AS WE AGE** (Saip)
 - Saip read the Driving Safely plan to the committee and guests
 - Contact Doherty to arrange a presentation
 - Presentation time is 1 hour and 30 minutes including time for Q & A
 - Minimum of 12 attendees requested
 - Ede advised the Santa Rosa City Bus has a travel training program, and they are willing to provide this training
4. **PREPARING FOR CURRENT CALTRANS 5310 PROJECTS AND NEXT 5310 CYCLE APPLICATION** (Kelley/Doherty)
 - Travel voucher program extension has been approved through June 2017
 - Voucher contract amendments made to remove fixed monetary value to the vouchers, extend term date and reduce service units
 - California Comfort Transportation has taken over Catholic Charities pre-paid vouchers
 - Brittingham willing to use vouchers with Lyft/Uber; vouchers will not expire at FY end
 - Needham reimburses vouchers after the fact – Vintage House has a similar program
 - Concern expressed using Uber because not vetted; taxi drivers not vetted either
 - Doherty to provide members/guest with <https://gogograndparent.com/> contact
 - Voucher use update: 478 vouchers used, 283 people served, and 463 one way rides
 - Email Doherty with your information for 5310 funding, Doherty will send out email reminders
 - Updates and overview of application process

- Doherty attended the Caltrans Applicant Workshop
 - Bids required up front for application, equal expansion among providers, however, cost per ride, cost per mile and cost per minute should be considered
 - Every project will require separate applications
- Conversation with new partners
 - Redwood Community Health Coalition
 - Will present at Clinical Advisory Group next week
 - Piloting an “Intensive Outpatient Care Management” program
 - Collaboration with medical facilities to be more flexible with scheduling appointments so transportation providers can bring in multiple clients for the same/similar appointment times and avoid cancellation charges
 - West County Community Services included in HSD application-funds for drivers to operate their three vans and vehicle maintenance, for set routes
 - Volunteer Wheels – operate Sonoma County Transit paratransit service and serve geographically isolated areas, they are in need of volunteers
 - First/last ride-Lyft, Doherty and Santa Rosa Transit conference call next week
 - HSD coordinating 5310 application with Santa Rosa Transit
 - (Turrey) SCTA- Transit Paratransit Coordinating Committee (TPCC) previous role reviewing applications has changed due to change in electronic application
 - Next month’ s SACTS meeting- Santa Rosa ReImagining CityBus training
- Roundtable from providers re: interest in expansion/new service
 - (Brittingham) SASC is active provider - help recruit volunteer drivers
 - (Pearson) Volunteer Wheels always looking for volunteer drivers – help with recruitment
 - (Black) Advised there is a Healdsburg Neighbor’s group which helps with some rides
 - (Kelley) Will outreach to Sonoma County Medical association regarding transportation
 - (Group) Volunteers In Transportation Advocacy Link (VITAL) group is seeking Kaiser Foundation Grant for transportation, Access to Health category that would fit our needs
 - (Brittingham) presents at hospital/health centers to inform on transportation systems
 - (Hempel) Health Centers trying to access Medicaid dollars
 - (Sheppard) Service Loops and transfers/stops to assist health centers clients access; Explore staff volunteer driver -bring clients in to work with them for client apts.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS (Kelley/All)

- (Needham) Event at Hop Monk Tavern on February 25, at 7:00 pm acoustic concert
- (Cowart) Met with April Pearson – Volunteer wheels
- (Sheppard) Looking for program coordinator
- (Arent) First housing workgroup meeting on January 23 from 1 – 2pm, contact if interested; Sonoma County Interfaith Alliance meeting January 25th at 1pm at the Lutheran church; January 30/31 Homeless Summit; Senior Health Expo at Persons Senior Center on May 6
- (Hempel) 2017 is declared the Year of the Senior, by the Economic Development Board and approved by the Board of Supervisors on January 10, 2017. February 4th, Alzheimer’s Latino Health fair, Hempel to send out the flyer. Petaluma People Services will be delivering handmade Valentine’s to seniors in Sonoma County.
- (Turrey) SCTA TPCC meeting Tuesday January 17, 1:30 TPCC vacancies- Social Service Transportation Provider and Provider for underserved communities
- (Ede) SR CityBus will be implementing new services on April 23. SR CityBus interested in coming to provider agencies to discuss; maps/schedules will be made available for distribution
- (Brittingham) Sonoma West Times published article about SASC transportation program; The 5th Annual Car show will be on May 27 at O’Riley Media 10am-3pm
- (Parker) Lake County requires 4 transfers to get to Santa Rosa via Ukiah. Working on 5310 pilot project to service directly to Santa Rosa

- (Alba) Working on new grant application, 3 new staff members in training
- (Robeson) - AAA Advisory Council will meet on Wednesday, January 18 at 1pm; The Board of Supervisors approved the Economic Development Boards request to declare 2017 the Year of the Senior; Age Friendly cities program plans outreach to each city to incorporate Age Friendly considerations/practices; Year of the Senior encourages senior entrepreneurship, enhance Sonoma County's image as a tourist place for seniors, encourage age friendly practices, raise awareness of economic challenges

6. **ADJOURN** (Kelley) meeting was adjourned at 2:43 p.m.