



AAA ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

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Wednesday, February 21, 2018
 Carnelian Room
 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Present: Jan Arent, Lea Black, Dorothy Fried, Jenny Helman, Peter Holewinski, Terry Kelley, Bonnie Koagedal, Susan Kornblatt Idell, Jim Redding, Rabon Saip, Alain Serkissian, Jani Sheppard, Hav Staggs, Don Streeper

Absent: Bob Picker, Ruth Robeson, Diane Spain

Guests: Crista Chelemedos, Senior Advocacy Services; Susan Fekete, Advisory Council Applicant; Ana Grant, City of Healdsburg; Jennifer Mangosong-Shankle, Council on Aging; Marrienne McBride, Council on Aging; Paul Peck, Carlton Senior Living, Advisory Council Applicant; Nancy Powers-Stone, Redwood Caregiver Resource Center; Holly Rylance, Alzheimer’s Association; Anita Tanenberg, Petaluma People Services Center; Marla Taylor, Public

Staff: Diane Kaljian, Tracy Repp, Rhiannon Coxon, Norine Doherty

Minutes: Victoria González-Allen

1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS (Eisen) – meeting called to order at 1:05 p.m. all welcomed and introductions made.

2. APPROVAL OF JANUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES (ACTION): (Eisen) – motion to approve the January 17, 2018 committee minutes. Saip/Fried (MSC) to approve minutes as presented; motion approved by majority. AYES-11, NOES-0, abstentions from Staggs and Holewinski.

3. CHAIR REPORT (Eisen)

- Membership Update
 - Advisory Council Applicant Susan Fekete. Advisory Council voted to appoint Susan Fekete to the Advisory Council to an At-Large position. AYES-14, NOES-0, no abstentions. Vote approved unanimously.
- Kornblatt Idell joined the meeting 1:10 pm
 - Advisory Council Vacancies – 2 at large vacancies contact Repp if interested in joining or have a recommendation.
- AAA Talking Points Communication Plan – (Repp) Executive Committee discussed council to do outreach and presentations at local community group meetings. Eisen will begin by scheduling speaking at rotaries. Requested council members to provide other location ideas to Repp.
- August Retreat Day Committee –Sheppard volunteered to Chair. Retreat day is August 15.
- Nominating Committee – Robeson will chair, Black and Fried will be on committee.
- Older Americans Month Workgroup – Idea is to support the Aging Together/Age Friendly “Older Worker Employment – Age Friendly Hiring” event on May 9 from 7AM to 10AM at the

Vintners Inn. Keynote speaker is Richard Adler, Fellow of the Institute for the Future.
Volunteers to help with event: Black, Koagedal, Saip, Arent (tentative), Serkissian.

- Housing Workgroup - Executive Committee decision for workgroup to be a Taskforce. As Chair of Housing, Arent invited to attend the Executive Committee meetings.

4. CORRESPONDENCE (Repp) – Spain requested and was approved for a 3 month leave of absence. A card was distributed for committee members to sign and send to Spain.

5. DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Kaljian)

- N4A advocacy update sheet was distributed to committee members – group discussion. Kaljian will attend the Policy Briefing in Washington D.C. in April.
- California Association of Area Agencies on Aging (c4a) Capitol Day is February 22. Meetings set with elected officials after the morning briefing. C4A advocacy topics on Senior Nutrition, Dementia related Information & Referral program and other topics.
- County Advocacy – Requesting Advisory Council to contact their district Board of Supervisors to advocate for senior programs as soon as possible. County General Funds for programs most likely will not be renewed; includes funding for senior nutrition programs affecting Council on Aging, Petaluma People Services Center, and Coastal Seniors, legal services affecting Legal Aid of Sonoma County, and the Linkages to Senior Housing program. Specific decrease amounts will be provided as well as impact.
- New funding has been awarded from the California Department of Social Services: Housing and Disability Advocacy Program (HDAP) program which assists homeless who may be eligible for disability benefits; Home and Community Based Alternatives (HCBA) waiver program from the Department of Health Care Services to provide care management services to persons at risk for nursing home or institutional . Both the HCBA and HDAP grants will be heard at the Board of Supervisors in April. Aging Together/Age Friendly Cities update will be heard in March.

6. PRESENTATION: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of AREA AGENCIES ON AGING REPORT (n4a) FROM DC, Autumn Campbell, n4a Policy Analyst (via video conference) – will provide PowerPoint to members.

- Contact Coxon if interested in a copy of the PowerPoint presentation.

7. PROJECT UPDATES: (Repp/Coxon/Doherty)

- Deferred to April meeting.

8. INFORMATION SHARING/PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS (All)

- Eisen – 3/28/18-Saip presenting on Opioid Misuse at Prevention Partnership meeting. Prevention Partnership has asked that an Advisory Council member present with Saip.
- Chelemedos – 6/15/18 - North Bay Elder Justice/World Elder Abuse Awareness Summit. All day event at The Lodge at Sonoma Renaissance Resort & Spa, 1325 Broadway, Sonoma.
- Peck – Carlton Senior Living in permitting process to build 138 units in Sonoma County.
- McBride – introduced new Senior Nutrition Director, Jennifer Mangosong-Shankle. Chef Joseph Keller is Director of Kitchen Operations and Business Development. May 5 is Derby Day Fundraiser. Funding to purchase 5 senior housing mobile homes with some priority for those affected by the fires and abuse victims.
- Grant – California Highway Patrol (CHP), DMV and Ombudsman will present Age Well, Drive Smart on 3/1/18. Saturday Social Series Brunch - Partnering with Council on Aging as part of Saturday social series on 3/2/18 10am to noon.

9. **BREAK** recess at 2:18 p.m.; reconvened at 2:28 pm

Fekete exited the meeting at 2:27pm

Fried exited the meeting at 2:30pm

10. **SUB-COMMITTEE AND COMMUNITY MEETING REPORTS:**

Advisory Council

- Executive Committee (Eisen) - meeting highlights discussed in Chair Report.
- Legislative Committee (Coxon) – Robeson at TACC, 2/22 Capitol Day, 5 meetings with legislative representatives scheduled. May 11 is senior Rally Day in Sacramento.
- Planning and Funding Committee (Repp) – Eisen request a member of the Planning and Funding Committee to volunteer to chair the committee; Helman volunteered. Reviewed the quarterly performance report and discussed Area Plan goals for the update due to CDA.
- Transportation and Mobility Committee (Kelley-Pro-Tem-Open Chair Position) – Continuing work on volunteer driver programs. Numbers of rides are increasing. New Caltrans funding expected soon.
- **California Senior Legislature (CSL)** – Staggs asked about the partnership with CSL and c4a. Kaljian advised the partnership is a collaboration\advocacy partnership. A sub-group has been created consisting of CSL/c4a representatives to streamline the CSL election process.

Workgroups

- Housing (Arent) – Tim Miller, Executive Director of West County Community Services presented on their Park Village Housing project in Sebastopol. Eight mobile home units serving homeless in Sebastopol, Case Manager, Property Manager on site. Also discussed workgroup goals and deliverables. Group is planning on creating an educational program for seniors on how to apply for affordable housing.
- Newsletter (Kelley) – Newsletter will be brought to the March Executive Committee for review and approval. Final copies will be distributed at the March Advisory Council meeting.

Community Meetings – Advisory Council Participation

- Aging Together (Saip) – Meeting 2/14/18; two new members Supervisor Lynda Hopkins, and Kelley Elder. Conversation about neighborhood preparedness for emergency. Looked at model from Los Angeles. Plans discussed for 5/9/18 Age Friendly Hiring Event.
- Age Friendly Cities (Spain/Arent) – In process of completing walking tours of cities to identify, needs such as cross walks, lighting, and accessibility of shopping. Arent is on the Santa Rosa committee.
- California Senior Legislature (CSL) (Robeson) – discussed previously.
- Elder Justice Coalition (Sheppard) – no February meeting, next meeting in March.
- My Care, My Plan (Doherty) – Next presentation on Tuesday April 17, flyers distributed. Interested in volunteering reach out to Doherty or Saip. Eisen inquired if information is being tracked, such as number of presentations, attendees etc. Doherty advised yes, and forwarded to the Committee for Health Care Improvement.
- Section on Aging/Santa Rosa (Fried/Holewinski/Koagedal/Redding). Koagedal reported that speaker was a Medi-Cal specialist/attorney that provides navigation assistance for a fee. Repp advised County can provide Medi-Cal information for no fee.

- Senior Care Connection/Petaluma (Streeper) – Coxon was the guest speaker and presented on the Matter of Balance Fall Prevention program.
- Triple A Council of California (TACC) (Robeson) – Robeson not present - at TACC meeting.
- Transit-Paratransit Coordinating Committee (TPCC) (Saip) – no meeting.

Community/Advocacy Meetings – Watch List

- California Congress of Seniors
- Family Violence Prevention Council

11. OTHER

- May 19 – Santa Rosa Senior Expo in Person Senior Wing at Finely Center
- Pride Parade and Celebration will happen in Santa Rosa as well as a smaller venue in Guerneville.

12. MOTION TO ADJOURN (ACTION) – Black/Saip, meeting adjourned at 3:00pm

NEXT MEETING: *Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 1PM*