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AAA ADVISORY COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

3725 Westwind Blvd., Suite 101 (Topaz Room), Santa Rosa

Wednesday, June 3, 2015

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Attendees: Gail Pardini-Plass, Colleen Campbell, Jane Eckels, Terry Kelley, Jim Redding, Ruth Robeson, Rabon Saip

Staff: Diane Kaljian, Lori Holaday, Tracy Repp, Allegra Wilson

Absent: Judith Eisen

1. Welcome: The meeting was opened with a welcome to all, and introductions were made
2. Approve May Executive Committee Minutes (Pardini-Plass): Redding/Campbell MSC; approved as submitted
3. Chair Report (Pardini-Plass):
 - It's time to elect a new chair of the Legislative Committee. If no one volunteers, the Chair will select someone.
 - Membership Update
 - Applicant interviews will take place on Wednesday, June 17th
4. Staff Report (Kaljian/Holaday):
 - Thanks to everyone who attended and participated in the Aging Together Kickoff and made it a successful event.
 - The White House Conference on Aging will be on July 13th. Attendance is limited to 200 people, and AAAs are encouraged to have a Watch Party.
 - Supervisor Zane presented Aging Together at the National Association of Counties, and information has been submitted on the initiative to the White House Conference on Aging.
 - Budget Hearings for the County start on June 15th. The Division is requesting an additional AAA Planner, as well as some support positions to support the recently hired social workers.
 - Kaljian attended the C4A meeting last week. The State Budget was discussed.
 - \$1.4 million will go to the Ombudsman program.
 - The Caregiver Resource Center is going to conference committee.
 - APS training funding did not go through.
 - There is a proposal that extends the timeline for MSSP to merge into managed care, which affected Coordinated Care Initiative counties.
 - The 7% hours reduction for IHSS clients will be reinstated beginning July 1st.
 - C4A is also working on a program called Vision 2025, to plan for AAA programs in light of lack of additional Older Americans Act funding.
 - Next week the Board of Supervisors will hold a hearing on the Living Wage.
 - In July, Kaljian, Repp, and Gary Fontenot will attend the N4A conference. Repp will present on transportation, and Fontenot will present on Elder Justice.
 - Rhiannon Coxon will be promoted to the AAA Planner position that Repp is vacating.
 - Holaday and Repp attended an event in San Francisco last week at the Federal Building. Bay Area counties were tabling and promoted services for older adults.
 - Supervisor Carrillo was invited to the June 17th meeting to present the Older Americans Month resolution. He may not be able to attend due to Budget Hearings.
 - Holaday distributed a draft client satisfaction survey. The survey will be translated into Spanish. Let Holaday or Repp know if you have questions or comments. The survey will go out by the end of the month.
 - Sage was consulted on LGBT questions. Kaljian envisions driving an interest in an LGBT services center in the county. A grant through the Sonoma Valley LGBT Support Group is being planned.

- Focus groups for the Needs Assessment are being planned for late August and September. Advisory Council volunteers will be needed for facilitation. Interns may be helpful.
- Holaday expressed her gratitude to the group on her last Executive Committee meeting day.

5. Workgroup Reports:

- Housing (Redding): No report.
- Elder Protection (Eckels): June 15th is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. This year each senior center in the county is receiving a toolkit with flags, a banner, and instructions on getting a proclamation at the local city council. The Board of Supervisors will pass a Gold Resolution on Tuesday, June 9th in the morning. There has been a front page article, an editorial, and a radio spot on elder abuse. Eckels is submitting a Close To Home article, and an insert will be printed in the Press Democrat.
- Senior Fund (Eisen): No report.
- Newsletter (Campbell): No report. The meeting will take place today.
- August Training Day (Eisen):
 - Holaday shared the Draft Agenda and discussed the idea of an intergenerational panel. Some activities will be shortened so that the day ends at 2pm. Purpose and goals will be added to the agenda.
- Falls Prevention Week (Campbell):
 - Kaljian will try to secure a presentation at the Committee for Healthcare Improvement.
 - Redding will get a name for the Annadale Medical Group to Campbell.
 - There will be a Gold Resolution by the Board of Supervisors.
 - Campbell will ask Supervisor Rabbitt if an item on Falls Prevention can be added to the agenda.
 - Holaday will connect Campbell with the new Matter of Balance Coordinator, Beverly Winsor.

6. TACC Report (Eisen): No report.

7. Committee Reports:

- Legislative (Campbell):
 - Next week the Legislative Committee will meet.
 - The annual CSL meeting in Sacramento will be held online this year due to lack of funding. There are fewer proposals than in years past.
 - There was discussion about Pardini-Plass' resignation and replacing her in CSL.
 - Alain Serkissian and Mike Humphrey will attend the upcoming meeting to discuss the 1115 Waiver.
- Planning and Funding (Robeson): Eisen chaired the last meeting. The committee is winding down for the year. Repp is finalizing the contracts based on the RFP. A new chair will be elected at the meeting today.
- Transportation and Mobility (Eckels): The committee has decided that the Consortium will meet once a year, in September. Repp and Kelley are working on an agenda for next week's meeting. The volunteer driver coordinators will be invited to attend.

8. Review June Draft Advisory Council Agenda (Holaday):

- Holaday discussed the June agenda.
- The Family Domestic Prevention Council will be included on the agenda and Advisory Council members will be invited to attend.
- Repp will announce the Senior Farmers Market coupons.

9. Information Sharing/Public Comment (limited to three minutes per person):

- Eckels and the group thanked Pardini-Plass for chairing the committee this year.

10. Adjourned at 11:15am.

11. Next Meeting: September 2, 2015