

El Dorado County Commission on Aging

Advisory Council to the Area Agency on Aging

Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, August 18, 2022
Time: 9:30am – 12:00pm
Location: El Dorado County Building A, Conference Room D
Contact: Yasmin Hichborn (530) 642-4833 Email: yasmin.hichborn@edcgov.us

Commissioners Present: Steve Shervey, Connell Persico, Jim Wassner, Linda Grimoldi, Raelene Nunn, Tita Bladen, Lisbeth Powell Penny Huber

Absent: Barbara Raines, Barbara Kaufman, Craig Kuehn, Marian Washburn, Ray Wyatt

Special Advocates Present: None

- 1. Call to Order, Salute to the Flag, and Roll Call**
The meeting was called to order at 9:40am with a quorum present.
- 2. Approval of the August 18, 2022 Agenda**
A motion was made by Connell Persico to approve the Agenda and seconded by Jim Wassner. The motion was approved (8-0).
- 3. Approval of the June 16, 2022 Minutes**
A motion was made by Connell Persico to approve the June 16, 2022 minutes and seconded by Jim Wassner. The motion was approved (8-0).
- 4. Chairperson's Report**
Lisbeth Powell provided the Chairperson's Report.
- 5. Guest Speaker—Michelle Ward, Attorney, Senior Legal Services & Laura Walny, Program Manager, Adult Protective Services**
Michelle Ward and Laura Walny provided updates on their respective programs. Dependent upon the case, Senior Legal Services and Adult Protective Services may work in conjunction with each other. Senior Legal Services can advise clients about the existence of Adult Protective Services but cannot refer directly to the program. Adult Protective Services can refer to Senior Legal Services.
- 6. Commissioner Reports and Activities**
Linda Grimoldi is working with the Sheriff's Department to place the Senior Services brochure in all Sheriff vehicles and the breakroom. Linda is also distributing the Senior Services brochures and Senior Times Newsletter to Marshall Hospital, mobile home parks, and local businesses.
- 7. AAA Director's Report, Questions**
Rich Todd provided the Director's Report.
 - The Home and Community Based Services Senior Nutrition Infrastructure Grant Program proposal has been approved by the California Department of Aging. The amount is \$645,001.
 - PSA 29 El Dorado County will be receiving additional funding for Fall Prevention, Nutrition, Family Caregiver Support and Senior Legal Services.

- Attendance at The Club in Placerville is increasing. We are recruiting for additional staff.

Star Walker reported:

- The PG&E Shut-Off Moratorium has been lifted and HEAP has become extremely busy.
- The Low-Income Water Program opened on July 5, 2022 and assists with past due water bills.
- The Work Plan has been submitted to CSD for the CSBG 2022 Discretionary funds. The plan is to assist low-income seniors with hearing aids and dentures.
- Collette Travel is offering eight trips for seniors.

8. HHS Management and EDC Board of Supervisors Report

Rich Todd reported Timalynn Jaynes is the new Deputy Director for Community Services. The new HHS Director, Evelyn Schaeffer, will be starting on September 24, 2022.

9 Committee Reports

Executive Committee

Lisbeth Powell presented the Annual COA report to the Board of Supervisors.

Policy & Legislation Committee

Raelene Nunn and Tita Bladen are receiving CSL training. The Annual meeting will be held in October.

10. Ad Hoc Committees

Outreach and Education Team/Lifelong Learning

Raelene Nunn provided a report on the activities of the Outreach Team.

South Lake Tahoe

Penny Huber attended a meeting regarding the 56-acre Project in South Lake Tahoe. The new Multigeneration Recreation Center does not have a space dedicated to seniors. Everything is shared with other programs/activities.

Membership -- Deferred to Closed Session

Community Action Council Meeting

Star Walker reported the Community Action Council met in July. The speaker for the September meeting will be Liberty Energy.

Disaster Preparedness

Jim Wassner reported on the Radio Neighborhood Watch Program which provides timely and accurate information during a disaster. Grant money may be available to provide scanners to I&A and APS.

Aging in Place/Caregiving

Steve Shervey reported that this committee still needs to have a meeting.

Housing for Seniors

Housing statement will be discussed under new business.

11. Closed Session

The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 11:40am.

The meeting was re-opened at 11:52am

Bob Kamrath was appointed Commissioner.

Marshall Alameida, Georgetta Stedeford, and Margie Lopez-Read were appointed Special Advocates.

12. New Business

A. Creation of New Ad Hoc Committees

Lisbeth Powell proposed the addition of three new Ad Hoc committees: Senior Economics, Steering Committee and Policies and Procedures. Raelene Nunn made a motion to add the three committees. Connell Persico seconded the motion. The motion was approved. (8-0).

B. COA Attendance at Veteran's Honor Event

The 2022 event is expanding to include Vietnam and Korean War veterans and is looking for volunteers. Jim Wassner will send the flyer. Interested volunteers should contact Visiting Angels to sign up.

C. Approval of Letter to Fire Safe Councils

Raelene Nunn made a motion which was seconded by Connell Persico to allow the Outreach Team to write a letter to the Fire Safe Councils offering to partner with them on outreach events. The motion was approved. (8-0)

D. Approval of Housing Committee Statement of Senior Housing Needs

The Housing Committee Statement of Senior Housing Needs was reviewed. Jim Wassner made a motion, seconded by Connell Persico, to approve the Housing Statement. The motion was approved.

E. 2021 -2022 Grand Jury Report – No Report

F. New First Responder Fee – No Report

13. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items

K. Lishman, T. Jaynes

14. Topics for Next Meeting

15. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:15pm. The next meeting is September 15, 2022.