

# El Dorado County Commission on Aging

## Advisory Council to the Area Agency on Aging

### Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Thursday, March 17, 2022  
**Time:** 9:30am – 12:00pm  
**Location:** Cameron Park Community Center  
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**Commissioners Present:** Tita Bladen, Steve Shervey, Ray Wyatt, Penny Huber, Craig Kuehn, Marian Washburn, Lisbeth Powell,

**Absent:** Barbara Kaufman, Raelene Nunn, Barbara Raines, Connell Persico, Jim Wassner

**Special Advocates Present:** None

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**1. Call to Order, Salute to the Flag, and Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 9:35am with a quorum present.

**2. Approval of the March 17, 2022 Agenda**

A motion was made by Marian Washburn to approve the Agenda and seconded by Craig Kuehn. The motion was approved (7-0).

**3. Approval of the January 20, 2022 Minutes**

A motion was made by Craig Kuehn to approve the January 20, 2022 minutes and seconded by Marian Washburn. The motion was approved (7-0).

**Approval of the February 17, 2022 Minutes**

A motion was made by Marian Washburn to approve the February 17, 2022 minutes and seconded by Steve Shervey. The motion was approved (7-0).

**4. Chairperson's Report**

Lisbeth Powell provided the Chairperson's Report.

**5. Guest Speaker: C. J. Freeland, Housing, Community and Economic Development Program, Long Range Planning Division**

C. J. Freeland provided information on the 2021-2029 Housing Element, Permit Ready Plans for "Granny Flats" and upcoming senior housing projects.

**6. Commissioner Reports and Activities**

None

**7. AAA Director's Report, Questions**

Rich Todd provided the Director's Report.

- Congregate meal sites opened March 7, 2022. Take-Out meals are still available.
- The Club in Placerville will open on March 24, 2022. The El Dorado Hills Club remains closed.
- The AAA will be receiving additional funding from CDA.
- Fall Prevention will be re-funded beginning July 1, 2022

Rich Todd provided Star Walker's report:

- HEAP will have "pop-up" locations. The first will be at Grocery Outlet in Placerville.
- The Low Income Water Assistance Program is expected to begin August 2022.
- Volunteer Ice Cream Social will be in April 2022.
- Senior of the Year will be presented at the Board of Supervisors on May 17, 2022. Applications are accepted until April 30, 2022.

Jordan Brushia announced:

- I&A/FCSP is recruiting for a .5 FTE Program Assistant
- 350 Farmers Market Coupons have been requested. Each coupon is worth \$35.
- Fall Prevention has served 26 clients since December 2021. The current program ends on March 31, 2022 and will restart July 1, 2022.
- The CSBG In-Home Care project closes on May 31, 2022.
- A mini-series is being planned for South Lake Tahoe.

**8. HHS Management and EDC Board of Supervisors Report**

Ranell Brown reported on the Housing & Homeless Point in Time count which was held in February. The results will be reported to the Board of Supervisors on March 19, 2022

**9 Committee Reports**

**Executive Committee – No Report**

**Policy & Legislation Committee**

Raelene Nunn and Tita Bladen are applying for positions on the California Senior Legislature.

**10. Ad Hoc Committees**

**Outreach and Education Team/Lifelong Learning**

Lisbeth Powell read Raelene Nunn's report. The COA will staff a booth at the June 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> El Dorado County Fair.

**South Lake Tahoe**

Penny Huber updated the Commission on Aging on activities in the South Lake Tahoe area. Additional home delivered meal drivers are needed in the Tahoe area.

**Community Action Council Meeting**

The next Community Action Council meeting is on Wednesday, March 23, 2022.

**Disaster Preparedness**

No report.

**Aging in Place/Caregiving**

Paul Sobelman has resigned from the Commission.

**Membership**

The Membership Committee consists of Steve Shervey, Raelene Nunn and Lisbeth Powell. A press release will be issued announcing the vacancy on the Commission.

**Housing for Seniors**

Marian Washburn reported that there is a scarcity of senior appropriate housing within El Dorado County. The Housing Committee will be directing its efforts to the early planning process and meet with developers to build relationships and inform them about the needs of seniors. The Housing Committee met with Supervisors Hidahl and Thomas.

**11. Unfinished Business**

**A. Recap of the February 2022 Retreat, Approval of COA Values, Vision, and Mission Statements**

Tita Bladen provided a recap of the retreat including the development of the COA goals, mission statement, vision and values.

**Approval of COA Value, Mission**

A motion was made by Marian Washburn to approve the COA mission, vision, and values statements. Craig Kuehn seconded the motion. The motion was approved (7-0).

**Acceptance of the COA Goals**

A motion was made by Ray Wyatt and seconded by Marian Washburn to accept the COA goals for 2022. The motion was approved (7-0).

**B. Re-Opening of the Senior Centers**

Senior Legal and FCSP/I&A are using the Tahoe Senior Center for their appointments. The Placerville Senior Center is still closed for non-county sponsored activities.

**12. New Business**

**A. Development of a Periodic Update to Board of Supervisors**

Lisbeth Powell would like the COA to write a quarterly report for the Board of Supervisors to provide a consistent message on the activities of the Commission. Lisbeth Powell volunteered to write the report that would be approved by the COA prior to sending to the Board.

**B. Creation of a Monthly COA Column for the Senior Times**

Lisbeth Powell reported that the COA has an opportunity to write a monthly column for the Senior Times. Raelene Nunn is writing the columns for March and April and Lisbeth Powell will write the column for May. A sign-up sheet was distributed. Ray Wyatt pointed out that the articles reflect the opinion of the Commissioner but not necessarily the opinion of the Commission. Lisbeth Powell will talk to Star Walker about the possibility of a disclaimer. This will be placed on the April agenda for further discussion.

**C. Senior of the Year**

Lisbeth Powell reported that planning is under way. There are two new awards: Lifetime and Community Strength. The presentation of the award will be at 11:00am on Tuesday, May 17, 2022. The room for the reception room has been reserved. Visiting Angels has agreed to sponsor the refreshments.

**13. Public Input on Non-Agenda Items**

None

**14. Topics for Next Meeting**

**15. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 12:03pm. The next meeting is April 21, 2022 at the Placerville Town Hall on Main Street.