

El Dorado County Commission on Aging

Advisory Council to the Area Agency on Aging

Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, March 18, 2021
Time: 9:30am – 12:00pm
Location: Virtual Meeting Via Zoom
Contact: Yasmin Hichborn (530) 642-4833 Email: yasmin.hichborn@edcgov.us

Commissioners Present: Tita Bladen, Lisbeth Powell, Raelene Nunn, Steve Shervey, Jim Wassner, Ray Wyatt, Penny Huber, Barbara Raines, Craig Kuehn, Connell Persico, Paul Sobelman, Barbara Kaufman

Absent: Judy Husak,

Special Advocates Present: Janet Kenneweg, Roger Berger

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

The meeting was called to order at 9:31am with a quorum present.

2. Approval of the March 18, 2021 Agenda

A motion was made by Lisbeth Powell to approve the Agenda and seconded by Ray Wyatt. The motion was approved.

3. Approval of the January 21, 2021 Minutes

A motion was made by Ray Wyatt to approve January 21, 2021 minutes and seconded by Barbara Raines. The motion was approved.

Approval of the February 8, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Lisbeth Powell to approve the February 8, 2021 minutes and seconded by Connell Persico. The motion was approved.

Approval of the February 18, 2021 Retreat Minutes

A motion was made by Connell Persico to approve the February 18, 2021 minutes and seconded by Ray Wyatt. The motion was approved.

4. Chairperson's Report

Steve Shervey provided the Chairperson's Report.

5. Correspondence Folder

Correspondence has been emailed to all Commissioners.

6. Guest Speaker: None

7. Commissioner Reports and Activities

Lisbeth Powell reported she had an opportunity to talk with former COA Commissioner, Eileen Strangfeld and she is doing well.

Connell Persico thanked Lisbeth Powell for her informative tour of the Placerville Senior Center.

8. AAA Director's Report, Questions

Rich Todd provided the Director's Report.

- AARP is providing tax preparation services in the Placerville Senior Center. Due to the tax deadline extension to May 17, 2021, additional appointments will be added. Clients are greeted in the parking lot, documents taken into the building and then returned when completed.
- Senior Nutrition continues to provide approximately 750 hot meals per day and 1,500 frozen meals per week. Volunteers are always needed.
- Rich continues to be a member of the SLT 56 Acres Senior Nutrition Kitchen Design team.
- The Director's Report will be emailed to all commissioners after the meeting.

Jordan Brushia, I&A and the FCSP Program Supervisor, announced:

- FCSP continues to see an increase in respite care requests –invoicing approximately \$5,000 month.
- A waiting list of interested participants is being created for the re-opening of The Clubs.
- The vaccine line is extremely busy and has received over 2,500 messages.
- I&A will be distributing outreach materials at the vaccine sites.

Star Walker reported:

- Senior Activities are still closed.
- HEAP is very busy. The program has just received funding for 2021.
- The \$32,000 CSBG Discretionary funding was used to purchase activity kits for seniors, and 550 kits have already been distributed.
- PG&E currently has a moratorium on shut-offs. PG&E will be developing a program to spread out past due amounts.

9. HHSA Management and EDC Board of Supervisors Report

Included under Unfinished Business A. Update on SLT 56 Acres Project.

AAA Program Report

Star Walker provided information on Senior Activities. Activities, classes and travel programs are still closed. The Senior Center has been hosting TED Talks via Zoom and will be starting a new Zoom series, "This Month in History". Also senior activity kits have been distributed. Seniors are visiting Senior Center Library to check out books and puzzles. Barbara Raines mentioned the Placerville Library as a source for additional activity kits.

10. Unfinished Business

A. Update on SLT 56 Acres Project

Joe Irvin, City Manager for South Lake Tahoe and Don Semon, HHSA Director, provided information on the progress of the plans for the SLT 56 Acres Project. The COA provided input, suggestions and concerns regarding the project. The COA will continue their discussion of the project during a special meeting possibly on April 1, 2021.

B. Recap of Retreat

Tita Bladen provided a recap of the retreat.

11. **New Business**
 - A. **Introduction of New Committees**
 - Aging In Place/Caregiving**
 - Communications**
 - Housing for Seniors**
 - Lifelong Learning**Steve Shervy and Lisbeth Powell are the mentors for the new committees. Each committee chair provided an update of the committee and its focus.
12. **Committee Reports**
 - Executive Committee** – A special meeting will be held to discuss the SLT 56 Acres Project.
 - Policy & Legislation Committee** – No report.
 - Outreach & Education Team**
The Outreach Team is continuing to develop their priorities and define their upcoming projects.
 - South Lake Tahoe - No Report**
13. **Ad Hoc Committees**
 - Membership Committee**
All vacancies on the Commission have been filled.
 - Community Action Council Meeting -- No Report**
 - Disaster Preparedness – No Report**
 - TACC Meeting**
Tita Bladen provided the TACC report.
14. **Public Input on Non-Agenda Items**
None
15. **Topics for Next Meeting**
16. **Adjourn**
The meeting was adjourned at 12:14pm. The next meeting will be the special meeting to discuss the SLT 56 Acres Project. Meeting date to be determined.