

**Contra Costa County Advisory Council on Aging
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2021**

Call to Order: James Donnelly, ACOA President, called the meeting to order at 9:35am.

Present: Jim Donnelly, Kevin Donovan, Steve Lipson, Gerald Richards, Jennifer Doran, Mary Bruns, Dennis Yee, Shirley Krohn, Jill Kleiner, Terri Tobey

Absent: Susan Frederick, Gail Garrett

Staff: Anthony Macias

Approval of Agenda/Minutes

- Adoption of Today's Agenda: add agenda item to review recruitment flyer from Membership Committee; Gerald motioned to approve agenda as amended, Jennifer motioned second, unanimously adopted.
- Adoption of January 2021 Minutes: typographical errors corrected; Jennifer moved to adopt as amended, Dennis motioned second; approved by all.

President's Report: James Donnelly

- Some members attended C4A Capital Day last week; went over legislative priorities for AAA's; baseline funding increase for AAA; bill on disability, fall preventions; all were encouraged to talk with legislators; not many were able to get in touch with legislators due to not being in person.
- Media Release on Measure X advisory board; also would like to see someone from ACOA on this board.
- Orinda has person to fill their seat. Approval to fill in process.
- An LOA request for five months received and this requires further discussion with Membership committee.

AAA Program Manager Report: Anthony Macias

- State budget for AAA programs for FY 2021/2022 is not available yet.
- In order to meet state requirement of APU submitted and signed by May 1, current budget amounts carried forward. The budget used is a static budget.
- APU presented at 3/17 meeting and approved by the whole council.
- Must have a quorum in March for the approval APU.
- Recruitment for AAA manager not yet posted; Tracy is still completing this and expected to announce in March. Anticipate offer stage of position in early May.
- Working on contracts for one-time-only (OTO) amendments; reached out to our current contractors and requested their FY budgets.
- AAA monitoring by the State next year. Gearing up to prepare for that.
- Administration of Community Living (ACL); federal funding formula based on demographics and then interstate funding formula; segmented to specific funding stream for various programs.

SMAC Transportation Infographic – Final infographic reviewed and referred back to SMAC to confirm/verify what percentage of people who live outside of congregate setting and live alone.

Committee Reports:

Legislative Work Group: Shirley Krohn – off to a good start; overwhelmed with legislation submitted that deal with aging issues; List of legislation to all in ACOA and ask member to volunteer on a specific item on issues member is particularly interested in.

Senior Nutrition Project Council Report: Gail Garrett – No report. Gail on LOA.

Health Work Group – Susan Frederick – No report, Susan absent; at last meeting presenter from Ombudsman program.

Elder Abuse Prevention Work Group: Terri Tobey – Tracy was present to discuss the Power Point for presentations; Pair up WG member with APS SW to make presentations. February presentation from Family Justice Center, March meeting will have STAND! Present on domestic abuse and family violence.

Transportation Work Group (SMAC): Mary Bruns– keeping up with COVID related transportation issues.

Planning Committee: Kevin Donovan – Tracy attended Feb 10 meeting to discuss APU. The March meeting contract presentation by Meals on Wheels Diablo Region (MOWDR) and the various programs that they provide.

Housing Work Group: Gerry Richards – presentations in March from Richmond Land Trust and Modern Empathy strategic design and realization. Affordable housing is 30% or less of your income.

Membership Committee Report: Jennifer Doran - no more MAL vacancies; now have representative for Orinda vacancy; subsidized housing list for committee members to call housing managers to get ACOA info out and ask for help with recruitment.

Technology Work Group: Steve Lipson – Jim’s welcome letter for website to be added; moving forward with edits on web page; start to reorient and look at the post-COVID digital divide and will look at legislative initiatives.

Consent Items: Letter of support for AB383- Mental Health- older adults
Jim motioned to approve, Gerald motioned second, all present approved letter. Will be added as consent item for general meeting this month.

ACOA future presentation items:

April: update on MPA with Debbie Toth

May: TBD

June: Elder Abuse Awareness Month

July: Recess

Public Comment: Shirley announce Save the Date for Senior Rally Day, May 4, 2021.

Action Items: AB383 letter for consent item; Elder Abuse Awareness month proclamation.

Future Item: Recommendations to the BOS to be in the report for Annual Report: 2021

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 7, 2021

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.