

**Contra Costa County Advisory Council on Aging
Technology Group Minutes
Wednesday, March 9, 2022**

Call to Order: Steve Lipson called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm. Meeting conducted using the Zoom meeting platform.

Present: Steve Lipson, Kevin Donovan, Jim Donnelly, Kacey Carterelliott, Penny Reed, Candace Evans

Absent: Jill Kleiner, Sara Shafiabady, Erin Partridge

Staff: Anthony Macias

Approval of Agenda/Minutes

- Approval of Today's Agenda – Jim made a motion to approve the agenda. Kevin seconded the motion. Agenda was approved unanimously.
- Approve January 2022 minutes – Jim made a motion to approve the minutes. Penny seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

ACOA Website/ Workgroup Outreach Plan – Sam Sakai-Miller and Steve Lipson

- Sam presentation (PDF attached): Advisory Council on Aging (ACOA) Wbsite Refresh Phase 3- Content Gathering
- Technology workgroup members assigned to contact chairs of the following workgroups:
 - Kacey – Health workgroup chair Jennifer Doran
 - Kevin –Transportation workgroup chair Mary Bruns
 - Penny – Housing workgroup chair Gerald Richards
 - Candace - Legislative workgroup chair Shirley Krohn
- Steve will provide content for Technology workgroup.
- Sam will provide content about Learning and Leisure.
- Jim will provide a “Welcome to ACOA” greeting and information about ACOA.
- Steve will be formatting an outreach script for workgroup members to use when speaking with workgroup chairs. Anthony will forward to chairs.

Bay Area Digital Inclusion Coalition/Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) – Kevin Donovan

- Kevin provided an overview of the coalition and ABAG.
- Recent items discussed at ABAG include, envisioning the Bay Area of the future, housing development, post-COVID environment, funding from Federal Government and the digital divide.

Older Adult Education (OAE) and Digital Literacy – Steve Lipson

- Older adults have few, if any, educational resources. This is critical for instruction on technology and digital competence. These are issues which impact the ongoing digital divide.
- In addition to hardware and broadband access, instruction on technology is required for bridging the digital divide among older adults.

- Adult Education included classes on parenting, home economics, and a component for Older Adult Education. These programs were cut during recession of 2008 and were never restored.
- Steve would like to focus on Older Adult Education and see if there are opportunities to revive funding for OAE.

Action Items for Executive Committee:

- Update on outreach to workgroup chairs

Future Meetings:

- Next meeting: April 13, 2022

Public Comment:

- None

The meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.

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