

**Advisory Council on Aging (ACOA) Executive Committee
Minutes for June 1, 2022 meeting**

Call to Order: Jim Donnelly, ACOA President, called the meeting to order at 9:30am.

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

Absent: Kevin Donovan

Staff: Ana Bagtas, Anthony Macias

Approval of Agenda/Minutes

- Adoption of Today's Agenda: Steve made a motion to approve the agenda. Jennifer seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.
- Approval of May 2022 minutes: Jill made a motion to approve May 2022 minutes. Dennis seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Area Agency on Aging (AAA) Program Report: Ana Bagtas

- The past two months were very busy due to submission of contract renewals for Fiscal Year 2022-23.
- Ana met with Marla Stuart, new director of Employment and Human Services Department (EHSD), and reviewed the AAA Area Plan and received positive feedback.
- Marla Stuart to be invited to attend the June 15 ACOA meeting to meet with Council.
- AAA staff completed the monitoring of AAA service providers/contractors. Thanked the ACOA Planning Committee members who participated in the visits.
- Implementing the Master Plan for Aging in California Together (IMPACT) Steering Committee meets in June.
- Starting in FY 2023-24, the AAA will transition the senior nutrition program from the County Health Department/Public Health.. The AAA and Public Health are hosting a town hall meeting with stakeholders of senior nutrition programs to discuss the changes and address questions and concerns.

President's Report: Jim Donnelly

- June meeting presentation by Shawna Reeves, Special Projects Consultant, Legal Assistance for Seniors. This presentation is in recognition of June as Elder Abuse Awareness month
- Jim is going to form a task force to organize the Fall ACOA event.
- Jim is meeting informally with Supervisor Candace Andersen to discuss increasing the ACOA's exposure with the Board of Supervisors (BOS).
- **Committee Reports:**
- Membership Committee - Jill Kleiner
 - Interviewed candidate from Carol Kehoe, from the city of El Cerrito.
 - The City of El Cerrito will interview Carol on June 22.
 - Council seat vacancies include Cities of Concord, El Cerrito, Pinole and San Pablo.
- Health Workgroup - Jennifer Doran
 - Welcomed new workgroup member Michelle Berman.

- Workgroup had presentation from Adult Protective Services in May. Senior Peer Counselling program will be present in June.
- Housing Workgroup - Gerry Richards
 - No meeting in June. Workgroup will meet in July.
- Senior Mobility Action Council (Transportation Workgroup) - Mary Bruns
 - Workgroup did not meet in May and will resume meeting in June.
- Technology Workgroup: Steve Lipson
 - ACOA Website information and content gathering from council members is in process.
 - Discussed fraud calls on cell phones.
- Legislative – Shirley Krohn
 - Did not meet in May and will not meet in June. Letters of support were approved at the May ACOA meeting and have been sent to BOS.

Leave of Absence requests - Kevin made a motion to approve leave-of-absence request for Jagjit Bhambra for May 20 meeting. Jill seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Consent Item – Shirley made a motion to approve support letter for Choice in Aging's Age in Place Campus. Steve seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

ACOA 2022 presentations

- ACOA will be in recess during the month of July.
- Discussion about what presentation to have in the future included: Housing issues; AAA contractors/providers (MOWDR/Empowered Aging); overview of AAA and how it works with ACOA; prescription drug pricing and Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP).

Public Comment:

- None

Action Items for General Membership

- Approve letter of support for Choice in Aging Age in Place Campus

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 3, 2022

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 am.