

**Advisory Council on Aging (ACOA) Executive Committee
Minutes for April 6, 2022 meeting**

Call to Order: James Donnelly, ACOA President, called the meeting to order at 9:32am.

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

Staff: Ana Bagtas, Anthony Macias

Approval of Agenda/Minutes

- Adoption of Today's Agenda: Shirley made a motion to approve the agenda. Steve seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.
- Approval of March 2022 minutes is tabled until next meeting.

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

- We received six applications from the Title III B Request for Proposal (RFP). We did not receive any applications for Homemaker or Case Management.
- The RFP applications will require three levels of review, and must receive a grade of 70% or better to move to the next level of review.
- By the end of April we will know who we will be receiving the III B contracts.
- We have begun the monitoring of all AAA contractors.
- California Department of Aging (CDA) will be conducting monitoring of the AAA beginning on June 13, 2022.
- The Implementing the Master Plan for Aging in California Together (IMPACT) steering committee will be meeting next week and will be forming subcommittees. So far, there are Health and Housing subcommittees formed.
- The AAA 2022-23 Area Plan Update (APU) is being placed on the Board of Supervisor (BOS) April 26 agenda for approval. Ana thanked the ACOA for all their work on the completion of the APU.

President's Report: James Donnelly

- Jim is contacting Dr. Nari Rhee of UC Berkeley to be a presenter at the May ACOA meeting.
- Jim has a presenter for the June ACOA meeting to discuss Elder Abuse, as June is Elder Abuse Awareness Month.
- Applications for California Senior Legislature have been received and the ACOA will vote to fill the ACOA's CSL Senior Senator at April meeting.

Committee Reports:

- Membership Committee - Jill Kleiner
 - On March 22, the BOS approved Dale Harrington and Sam Sakai-Miller for Member-at-large seats and George Lee and Mike Awadalla for Alternate seats.
 - The city of San Ramon has appointed Swamini Bajpai to their council seat. Anthony has begun the process for this appointment to be approved by the BOS.
 - Local/city seat vacancies include cities of Concord, El Cerrito, Pinole and San Pablo.

- Planning Committee - Kevin Donovan

- Ana gave a presentation for on-site contract monitoring visits.
- Committee members Kevin, Jill, Dennis and Michelle have volunteered to review the RFP applications received.
- Health Workgroup - Jennifer Doran
 - The workgroup is finalizing the Nursing Home brochure with the help of EHSD graphic designer.
 - Workgroup members are reviewing new health related legislative bills to decide which bills to support.
 - The presenter for April will be Mom' Meals, a meal delivery service.
- Housing Workgroup - Gerry Richards – No report.
 - The workgroup co-chair has resigned and Gerald is now the sole chair.
- Legislative Advocacy Workgroup - Shirley Krohn
 - Shirley Krohn and Lorna Van Ackeren will be reappointed as Assembly Members of California Senior Legislature (CSL). There are two nominees for the Senator Member of CSL from the ACOA.
 - The Health workgroup is reviewing which health related legislative bills to support.
- Senior Mobility Action Council (Transportation Workgroup) - Mary Bruns
 - Debbie Toth and John Cunningham made a presentation for development of a transportation advocacy plan.
 - Jim is asking ACOA members to attend Disability and Aging Community Living Advisory Committee (DACLAC) subcommittee for accessible transportation meeting on April 12, 2022 in order to show support for this issue.
 - Consent item at April 20 ACOA meeting to appoint Dale Harrington to Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC).
- Technology Workgroup: Steve Lipson
 - Steve is completing outreach script for workgroup members to use when speaking with workgroup chairs to gather resources for ACOA webpage.

Leave of Absence requests - Kevin made a motion to approve leave-of-absence (LOA) requests for Terri Tobey and Michele Berman. Shirley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

ACOA 2022 presentations

- April – Digital Divide - Steve Lipson
- May – Older Americans Month
- June – Elder Abuse Awareness Month

Public Comment: Shirley reminded committee to register for Senior Rally day on May 3, 2022.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 4, 2022

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 am.